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 of the Loudon  
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 Association  
 "Living Faith,  
 Sharing Love,  
 Changing Lives"

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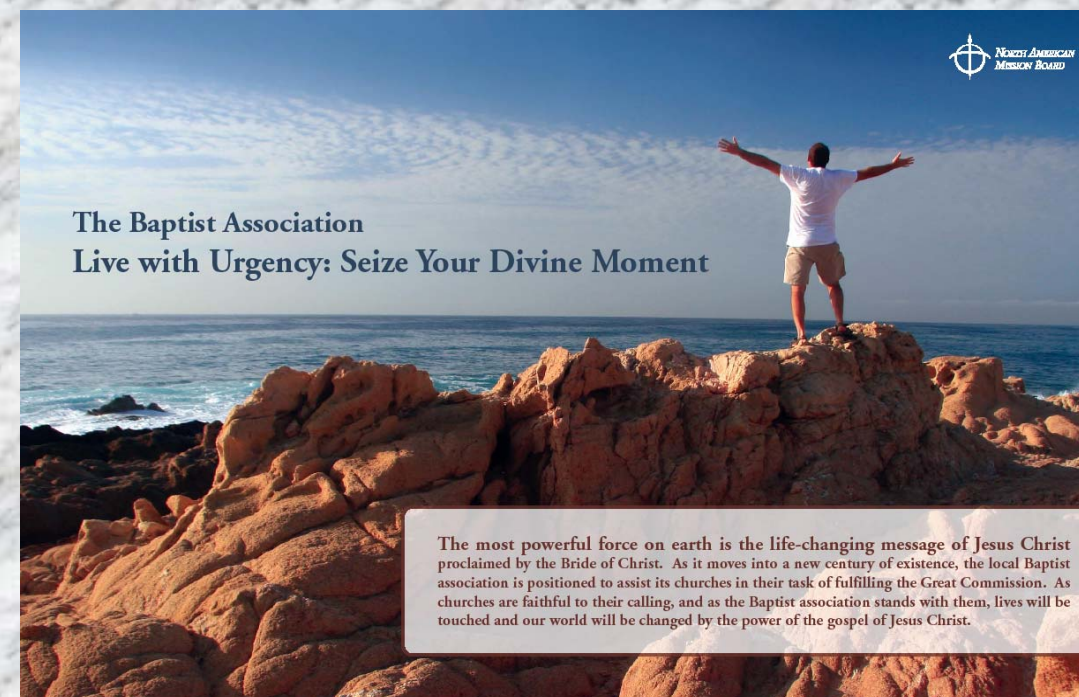
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**Loudon County Baptist Association**  
**Financial Activity Report**  
**March 2008**

<b>Budget Account:</b>		<b>On Mission Celebration Designated:</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$12275.23	Beginning Balance	\$9119.34
Receipts	\$13598.07	Receipts	\$2719.00
Expenses	\$14764.81	Expenses	\$10073.58
Account Balance	\$11108.49	Account Balance	\$1764.76
<b>Going Beyond Designated:</b>		<b>World Changers Designated:</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$1144.71	Beginning Balance	\$3800.52
Receipts	\$50.00	Receipts	\$5450.00
Expenses	\$0	Expenses	\$0
Account Balance	\$1194.71	Account Balance	\$9250.52
<b>Building Fund Designated:</b>		<b>Hispanic Ministry Checking Account:</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$1763.46	Beginning Balance	\$4657.57
Receipts	\$0	Receipts	\$3616.12
Expenses	\$0	Expenses	\$4732.41
Account Balance	\$1763.46	Account Balance	\$3541.28

Tennessee Baptist Foundation Balance \$10,436.59

# The Advancer



The most powerful force on earth is the life-changing message of Jesus Christ proclaimed by the Bride of Christ. As it moves into a new century of existence, the local Baptist association is positioned to assist its churches in their task of fulfilling the Great Commission. As churches are faithful to their calling, and as the Baptist association stands with them, lives will be touched and our world will be changed by the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

## ASSOCIATION EMPHASIS WEEK

### MAY 18-24, 2008

**"LIVE WITH URGENCY:  
 SEIZE YOUR DIVINE MOMENT"**

Please send your announcements for the Advancer to 814 Webb Circle, Lenoir City, TN 37771 or e-mail to: [traci@lcchurches.com](mailto:traci@lcchurches.com)

Announcements must be in by the 10th of the month to be inserted into that month's newsletter.

## Bob's Banderol...

If you were not able to attend our Semi-Annual meeting Monday night, April 14<sup>th</sup> then you missed a great time of worship and fellowship. We had a little of everything. We heard testimonies from people involved in World Changers. If you haven't heard they are coming to work in Loudon County on June 7-14. Right now we have a group of about 220 students from 6 states coming. We still need your help. We need host churches or SS classes that would be willing to feed a crew of 10-14 lunch Mon-Fri. We also need funds to be able to work on the 20-22 houses that will be repaired. The houses generally average about \$1500 to repair. If you can't sponsor a whole house then do what your church can and it will be greatly appreciated. Remember, you our association churches, provide all the funding to work on each house. If we do not receive adequate funds then we can't do the work. I challenge your church to become involved in this mission opportunity right in our very own backyard. We also ask for your continued prayers as the coordinators and summer staff prepare for World Changer week.



We also took up an offering to help our sister church, New Midway. They definitely

need our prayers and if your church can give a love offering that would be a big help as well.

We heard testimonies about our Paris mission trip from Natalie Yancey and Arlene Lewis. We were able to work with a Chinese church, go into a Hindu community, visit with some West Africans who had accepted Christ since our last mission trip to Paris and Prayer Walk around the city. You can go to this website and watch the Prayer Walk led by our IMB missionary Tony Lynn.

[www.godtube.com/view\\_video.php?viewkey=383869a723564ed0aa7f](http://www.godtube.com/view_video.php?viewkey=383869a723564ed0aa7f) and [www.godtube.com/view\\_video.php?viewkey=e9c90b2ccad1664d79bd](http://www.godtube.com/view_video.php?viewkey=e9c90b2ccad1664d79bd)

We had some great worship music led by Brian Long from Calvary and had a very challenging message delivered by Dr. Dean Haun from FBC Morristown on the importance of having a vision from God.

Associational Emphasis week is May 18-24. This is a time where we recognize our Baptist associations and their contribution to the Kingdom work. Baptist Associations just celebrated 300 years of existence. I thank God for the opportunity to work with the Loudon County Baptist Association and all the great people who make up the churches. Thank you for allowing me to serve with you in reaching people for Christ all over this world.

Living Faith, Sharing Love, Changing Lives Bob

## Iglesia Bautista LaCruz

It seems that just a few days ago we were gathered together at Calvary Baptist in Lenoir City for the first joint worship service for 2008 of the Fellowship Hispanic Baptist Churches of East Tennessee. But that was March 30. Nearly 300 Hispanic Baptist brothers and sisters made the trip to Lenoir City from our churches in Kingsport, Johnson City, Morristown, White Pine, Rutledge, Newport and Knoxville. Everyone experienced a wonderful time of fellowship, worship, and preaching. The churches were challenged to have beautiful feet as they announced the Good News of Christ to the nations that are gathered in East Tennessee.

I believe that most effective way of reaching Hispanics in East Tennessee is through other Hispanics preaching the Gospel, through Hispanic churches starting churches and lessening the dependence upon Anglo churches. Obviously, the financial support, prayer support and moral support are essential. The churches of Loudon County Baptist Association are an example of faithfulness and mission mindedness as you support the Hispanic ministry in Loudon County. I want to encourage you to continue that support at the same level because the work has only begun. We have identified towns and communities in East Tennessee where a significant Hispanic community exists but no viable Christian witness exists. I am convinced that God wants us to be partnering together with Him to reach the nations that are gathered in our Jerusalem with the GOOD NEWS.

Please pray for our upcoming outreach Saturday, April 26. Valentin has organized a small rapid soccer tournament at La Cruz. We will be sharing the Gospel through sports evangelism! The exciting thing is the resources and planning to put on this event is coming from the members of La Cruz!!

Thank you for your support both financially and prayerfully.

Blessings! Brother William

## WMU Highlights



Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes

**We are still collecting cereal for the Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes until April 30. You may drop off the cereal at the Loudon County Baptist Association.**

Another way you can help our Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes is to give to the Mother's Day Offering during the month of May.



The 2008 Annual Ladies Night Out is Thursday, September 18 at Dixie Lee Baptist Church. Our Special Guest Speaker this year is Rosalie Hunt, author of "The History of WMU". She and her husband have served as Missionaries in 8 Asian countries. Rosalie is currently serving as President for Alabama WMU.



Baptist Health Care Birthday Parties are the third Tuesday of each month at 2:30 p.m. The following churches are scheduled to Host:

- April—Highland Park Baptist Church
- May—New Midway Baptist Church
- June—Kingston Pike Baptist Church

### Adventure to Asia, a missions weekend for Girls 1st-6th Grade June 13-14, 2008

at LindenValley Baptist Conference Center. The cost is \$50.00 per person. To register, visit, [www.tnwmu.org](http://www.tnwmu.org) by May 30. Contact Christy Dyer ([cdyer@tnbaptist.org](mailto:cdyer@tnbaptist.org)) for further information



Free WMU Materials for new start organizations. Call Shelby Lord at 986-2103 or the Association office at 986-2292 to find out how.

## Association News

### WORLD CHANGERS June 7-14, 2008

If you would like to serve as a Crew Chief, a runner, or get involved with this year's World Changers event, call the Association office.

### Franklin GRAHAM FESTIVAL

**April 25-27 at Thompson Boling Arena, Knoxville. Free Admission.**

Festival Schedule: (Franklin Graham will speak at all programs except Saturday morning. Special guest musicians will be featured each evening.)  
**Friday, April 25 at 7:00 p.m.**—Israel Houghton & New Breed, Austin's Bridge  
**Saturday, April 26 at 10:00 a.m.**—Xtreme Kidz LIVE God Rocks, chaos on wheels, Little Tommy  
**Saturday, April 26 at 6:47 p.m.**—Toby Mac, Group 1 Crew  
**Sunday, April 27 at 4:00 p.m.**—Michael W. Smith, Ricky Skaggs & Kentucky Thunder, Phil Stacey, special guests Cliff Barrows and George Beverly Shea, & Denise Jackson  
**Every Night**, Dennis Agajanian, The Tommy Coomes



The Christian Women's Job Corps of Loudon County invites you to be a part of their annual fundraiser banquet on Friday, May 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, Lenoir City. The cost of a table of 8 people is \$100.00. There will be testimonies from their clients as well as a vision for their future. For more information, call Deb Ninis at 216-3624.

**May 1, 2008 is National Day of Prayer "Prayer! Americas Strength & Shield" (Psalms 28:7). Meet us on the courthouse lawn at noon and at 7:00 p.m. at Lenoir City First Baptist Church to pray for our nation.**

