



from the **Yavapai Baptist Association**

June 2011



ON TARGET

What is the best book you've read lately? A lot of us enjoy a good novel from time to time; others enjoy a good history book or a book about the faith. Last year I was given a copy of Stetzer and Rainer's book *Transformational Churches*. I've got to tell you that they hit one out of the park with that book. As usual this book is based on a national research project, but it isn't just a book of dry statistics; it is a book that describes how a church that changes lives functions.

It is my opinion that most pastors want their churches to be "transformational". In other words we want to see people being changed into Christ likeness and we want to see our churches acting like the body of Christ and we want to see our communities reflecting the kingdom of God. Unfortunately, when pastors try to lead their churches in this direction, they often face major resistance. Some pastors have even gotten fired for trying to lead their churches to be more like the New Testament model.

One of the questions I've had is this, "How can we help our pastors lead their churches to be transformational without getting their tails kicked?" Well, recently I got an answer. There is a consulting process that can help a pastor and his church discover their strengths and their challenges and make plans to move towards becoming a transformational church. The congregation is involved in the process, which helps them gain ownership of the direction their church is going and the pastor and other leaders are involved. The good news is that a consultant comes alongside the pastor and the church to help them develop their plans.

In early May Pastor Jesse Liles from Willow Hills and I were privileged to attend a training session led by LifeWay to learn how to do this consulting process. So, if you are a pastor or church leader who would like to know more about how this works, please contact me at the YBA office or call Jesse Liles at his church office. We would be glad to help. All YBA churches can use me as a consultant free of charge. LifeWay has a fee for their part in the process, but it is fairly inexpensive and well worth the money.

Call me, let's do lunch.

Rik Danielsen

CHURCH STRENGTHENING



The YBA VBS Clinic was held on April 30th at RRBC. There were a total of 7 churches represented with a total of 54 in attendance. Thank you YBA VBS Team for your leadership and enthusiasm!

WHERE

FSBC Bagdad

Beaver Creek Baptist Church

Camp Verde Baptist Church

FSBC Chino Valley

Clarkdale Baptist Church

FSBC Cordes Lakes

FSBC Cornville

FSBC Mayer

FSBC Prescott Valley

Robert Road Baptist Church

Willow Hills Baptist Church

DATE AND TIME

July 11 - 15 9 AM to noon

Thursday, June 16 outing to West Fork Trail, Sedona

Thursday, June 30 outing to Bell trail, Rimrock

Thursday, July 7 outing to Sycamore Canyon, Clarkdale

All leave from Beaver Creek Baptist Church at 8:30 am, and return by 1 pm. For ages 8 and up

July 18 - 22 8:30 to noon

June 20 - 24 8:30 to noon

June 20 - 24 5:30 to 8:30 PM

June 20 - 24 9:30 to 12:30 PM Family Night starts at 6PM

June 20 - 24 6:00 to 8:15 PM

July 24 - 30 4 to 7 PM

July 11 - 15 9 to 12:30 PM

June 6 - 11 9 to 12:30 PM

June 6 -11 9 to Noon (Limited enrollment)

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT TEAM

NO JUNE PASTORS FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

With the Southern Baptist Convention in Phoenix and so many churches holding VBS, the team decided that having one more thing to do is a bit much. We hope everyone will make a point to attend the Convention and enjoy the fellowship there.

**Mission Trip
to
Mescalero, NM
July 9 - 16, 2011**



Join Rik Danielsen, the Yavapai Baptist Association's Director of Evangelism and Missions, for a mission trip to the Mescalero Apache Reservation in New Mexico. We will be working with Pastor Zach Malott and the members of the Mescalero Baptist Mission.

We will be:

- Home repairs for one tribe member
- Vacation Bible School for the children.
- Practicing servant hood evangelism during the day.



**If you are interested in participating you
MUST contact Rik Danielsen no later than Friday July 1st.**

Contact Rik Danielsen at the YBA office: 7594 E. Palo Verde St., Suite A, Prescott Valley, AZ 86314 928 759-2246 or by email at rdyba@cableone.net for more information.

Congratulations to

Chris Marley

Pastor of Miller Valley Baptist Church,
who was elected Mayor of Chino Valley

Let's pray God's blessings on Chris and his new ministry to the town of Chino Valley.

ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR

JUNE 2011.

- 5-11 ASBC Intentional Community Evangelism
- 9 No Pastors' Fellowship Lunch
- 9 No Administrative Council Meeting
- 11 ASBC Crossover
- 14 Flag Day
- 12-15 SBC Annual Meeting in Phoenix
- 19 Fathers Day

CHURCH EVENTS

JUNE 2011

- 6-11 Robert Road BC VBS 9 AM to Noon
Willow Hills BC VBS 9 AM to Noon
- 16 Beaver Creek BC youth outing to West Fork Trail, Sedona
- 20-24 FSBC Chino Valley VBS 8:30 AM to Noon
Clarkdale BC VBS 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM
FSBC Cordes Lakes VBS 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM
FSBC Cornville VBS 6 PM to 8:15 PM
- 22-24 Willow Hills Adult Special Needs Retreat
- 26 Cinder Mountain in concert at Mountain View BC. Everyone is invited to stick around for light refreshments and an informal JAM session.
- 30 Beaver Creek BC youth outing to Bell Trail, Rimrock

CHURCH NEWS

From Clarkdale Baptist Church:

The most significant event at Clarkdale BC, aside from our spring revival, in which two were saved and more than fifty rededicated their lives to Christ, was the Cinco de Mayo/Cuatro de Mayo celebration by the Verde Valley Hispanic Baptist Mission at Clarkdale BC on Wednesday, May 4th. A total of 110 persons attended and enjoyed a great Mexican-style, potluck dinner, followed by a piñata, which was "massacred" by the 35-40 kids who were present. A bilingual service including progress reports by Pastor Boldin and Ramon Rodriguez, and a "stem-winder" message by Fernando Amaro followed.

On a different note, many in our community as well as our church were saddened by the passing of Arnold Winter, a great baritone singer, and highly-decorated Marine, Korean War veteran. He went to his heavenly home on March 14th. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him. But we're sure he's singing for a far greater audience now.

From Beaver Creek Baptist Church

Beaver Creek Baptist Church will be holding several outings for the youth, ages 8 and up, during the summer months (see Church Events for dates). All outings will leave from Beaver Creek Baptist Church at 8:30 am. and return by 1 pm. Call 928 567-4557 for more information.

From FSBC Chino Valley

2011 Women's Retreat "You are Amazingly Beautiful"... We have one word WOW! We had dynamic, incredible speakers, food, music... But such a powerful day in Jesus. With over 250 women in attendance, many hands lifted high during worship, a spirit of sisterhood developed among all of us, from this state wide event. Through the day, there was laughter, hugs and tears... There were several salvations, rededications and repentance. The alters were filled, the name of Jesus lifted up... It was both beautiful and powerful. A huge thanks to Pastor Mark Chino Valley First So. It is his heart to reach the lost, to be a beacon of hope to our Tri City Community. There were so many who labored, ... several people who were like hugs from heaven... This is definitely a mission out reach! If you have a heart to see ladies come to Jesus, be changed, filled with hope... Attend next year "Tumbleweed Belles". Di'Anna Hardel Women's Ministry Director.

For more information about our Association please go to the website

yavbaptists.com.

Please forward this email to all of your Christian friends and church members.

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