



from the **Yavapai Baptist Association**

November 2011

ON TARGET



Hello:

At our Annual meeting and in Southern Baptist life today there is a lot of talk about planting churches. Why? Why are we talking about planting new churches? Isn't it enough to have one church in each community?

There are a lot of reasons to plant new churches, but all of those reasons revolve around one overarching reason: we plant new churches in order to glorify God by spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ to more and more people.

But think about something else:

Some of our communities are frankly too large for one church to effectively minister to all of the people who live there. Remember that 90% of the people in our county are unchurched. A community of 3000, 4000, or 5000 people may not be effectively served by a church or 50, 75, or 100 active members. But a community of 20,000, 30,000, or 40,000 people will not be effectively served by one church with 100, 200, or 300 active members. 300 active members will not be able to effectively minister to and witness to 36,000 lost people. A new church is mandatory.

Different churches have different personalities and minister to different groups of people within a community. In Prescott Valley, for example, we have 3 Southern Baptist Churches. Each of the pastors and churches have different backgrounds, different personalities, and different ministry styles. Which one is best? None is better than the other; each is valuable in the God's work and each will reach a certain group of people in the community. Different churches reach more people.

There are a lot of other reasons that we plant new churches, but it all comes down to the need of more ministry units serving more and more people in Jesus' name.

Remember that the fields are ripe for the harvest.

Rik Danielsen

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT TEAM

YBA PASTORS & WIVES CHRISTMAS DINNER

Friday, December 2nd
6:30 PM

FSBC, Chino Valley

Catered Dinner & Musical Entertainment

\$20 per couple

All *Staff* Ministers and their wives

Call (or email ybassoc@cableone.net) Susan at the YBA office to reserve your spot. Checks can be mailed to:

Yavapai Baptist Association
7594 E. Palo Verde St. #A,
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314

CHURCH STRENGTHENING TEAM

A new date. A new look.

The 2011 ACE Conference will be held

Saturday, November 12, 2011 at:
North Phoenix Baptist Church
5757 N. Central Ave., Phoenix
8:30am-3:30pm

ACE is for all church members/including a teenager section, leaders and potential leaders, pastors and staff.

Schedule

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| Registration | 7:45 am - 8:30 am |
| Opening Rally | 8:30 am - 9:45 am |
| Session 1 | 10 am - noon |
| Lunch noon- | 1:00 pm |
| Session 2 | 1:15 pm - 2:15 pm |
| Session 3 | 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm |

Leading Arizona Southern Baptist churches to develop mature believers Colossians 1:28-29

ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR

November 2011

- 4-6 ASBC Hispanic Women's Retreat
- 10 Pastors' Fellowship Lunch 11:30
- 10 Administrative Council Meeting
1:30 at Robert Rd. Baptist
- 10 ASBC Convention Council Meeting
- 11 ASBC Leadership Conference
- 11 ASBC Annual Meeting
- 12 ACE Conference
- 24 Thanksgiving

CHURCH EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 19 Missions Fair at Willow Hills
Baptist Church. Starts at 3PM



YOU ARE INVITED!

2011 Missions Fair

Willow Hills Baptist Church

1071 Mogollon Road, Prescott 928 445-5520

Saturday, November 19th

3:00 PM Missions Fair

Featuring Missionaries from Taiwan, China, Spain, Egypt, Africa & Iraq

Local church planters Ken & Susan Belflower & Jan Lowe, NAMB Life Among the Nations Int'l Student Ministry

5:30 PM Thanks for Contributing to Missions Dinner

Call the Church office 928 445-5520 to make your dinner reservation

6:30 PM Missions Celebration Worship Service

Guest Speaker Dr. Brant Smith

Missionary to Taiwan, China & Iraq

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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