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Spiritual Transformation Through The Sunday School PART TWO

June 27, 2009

8:30 a.m. — 12:00 Noon

**The Lighthouse
104 This Way
Lake Jackson, Texas**

**This continued conference for the smaller church
will offer the following:**

*Five aspects or purposes of Sunday School
for all teachers/leaders*

In addition, a special conference for ministry assistants, volunteers in the church office, and financial committees/treasurers will be offered.

*See more details about this conference
on page three.*

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The Director Speaks . . . Donald Hintze

We just celebrated Memorial Day, a day that we remember those who gave their lives for us to have the liberty we have. I thought of the greatest warrior of all. Jesus gave his life so that we could have real freedom and security. We live in difficult and uncertain times. North Korea, Iran, Pakistan, Russia, China, various dictators, terrorists and many others who pose threats to us and our way of life. Our economy is in trouble. Social values are declining. Churches are aging and struggling. Not a whole lot of good news out there.

This is the day that calls for **Good News**. We have the Good News and His name is Jesus. These situations are opportunities to share the salvation that Jesus offers. "People are more open to the Gospel when the bullets are flying." I heard a man say that in El Salvador. He said that during the revolution people wanted to hear about Jesus. The bullets are flying but we don't have a lot of hope in anything we are doing right now. Let us tell the world about a real hope that will bring real and positive change to people.

Week of Prayer for Associational Missions Thank you churches and pastors that observed and prayed for the people and work of your association. We have such opportunities and we cannot seize them without God's power, wisdom and love. Please make the work of our churches a real priority in your prayer life. GCBA is churches doing more together than we can do by ourselves.

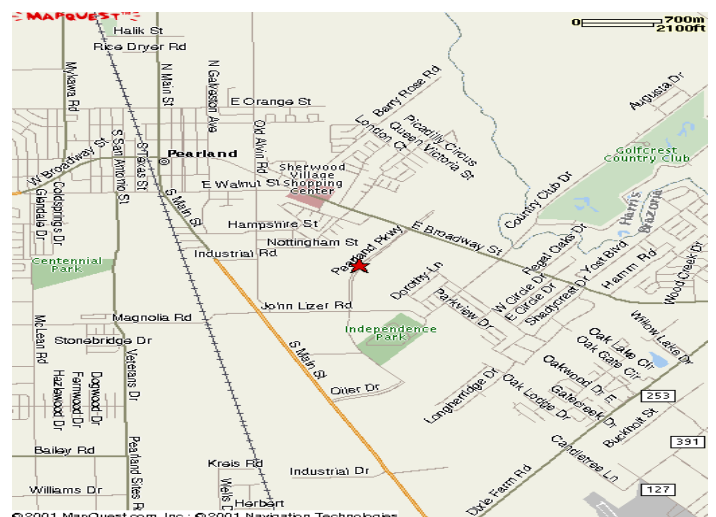
We have several **Pastorless Churches** at this time. They are listed in this edition of the Breezes. This is an important time for these churches as they seek God's man to serve in these positions. One deacon said that we have one chance to get this right. That is the truth. Missing God on the choice of a pastor can bring a devastating effect on church and community. Bro. Olin used to say that you don't want to think you are marrying Rachel and wake up with Leah. Please pray and offer support to these sister churches as they go through this time of transition.

Donald

GCBA TEAM Meeting FBC Pearland

Tuesday, July 14, 2009
11:30 a.m.

All ministerial staff are invited to a time of prayer
at 10:30 a.m. before the TEAM meeting.



Gulf Coast Baptist Association
Spiritual Transformation Through The Sunday School
PART TWO

June 27, 2009 8:30 a.m. — 12:00 Noon
The Lighthouse, 104 This Way, Lake Jackson, Texas

The “Smaller Church” is for these purposes generally described as a church with 100 members or less, usually with one staff member, the Pastor.

In this conference, we will explore five aspects or purposes of Sunday School in the smaller church:

A place for developing genuine, caring spiritual relationships

MINISTRY

A place where potential spiritual disciples are identified and disciple-makers are developed **LEADERSHIP**

A place where Bible study is offered which consistently addresses the issues in the lives of the people in the group. This may be accomplished by focused teaching of primary Biblical doctrines and spiritual disciplines and purposefully applying these to the issues of group member’s lives. **MISSIONS**

A place where new believers as well as those who have not yet placed their faith in Christ can grow in knowledge of the Christ-filled life and experience His unconditional love.

EVANGELISM

A place where genuine **FELLOWSHIP** is practiced and nurtured; this means much more than having food at Bible study time!!

Also, a special conference for ministry assistants (church secretaries will be offered as a separate workshop)

This workshop will include practical help for the church office as well as important information on taxes and finances.

(This is a continuation from the May training, but we will have copies of the information shared at the first meeting)

June

- 06/01 Senior Adult Council Meeting, GCBA Office, 10:00 a.m.
06/05-06 Regional College/Single Adult Leadership Retreat
FBC Houston
06/15-18 Pre-Teen Camp, Texas Baptist Encampment
06/21 Father's Day
06/22-26 Girls Mission Camp, Texas Baptist Encampment
06/23-24 Southern Baptist Convention, Louisville, Kentucky

July

- 07/01 Senior Adult Council Meeting, GCBA Office, 10:00 a.m.
07/04 Independence Day
07/10-11 Men's Regional Leadership Conference, Sagemont
07/10-11 Hispanic Women's Conference, Omni/Galleria
07/13-17 Youth OneCamp, Texas Baptist Encampment, Palacios
07/14 GCBA TEAM Meeting, 11:30 a.m.
FBC Pearland
07/19 Hispanic Fellowship, Templo/Manvel
07/20-25 GCBA Hispanic Youth Camp
07/27-31 Boys Adventure Camp, Texas Baptist Encampment, Palacios
07/31-08/01 Men's Retreat, Texas Baptist Encampment, Palacios

August

- 08/01 Music Leadership Conference, North Houston
08/05 Senior Adult Council Meeting, GCBA Office, 10:00 a.m.
08/11 GCBA TEAM Meeting, 11:30 a.m.
Danbury Baptist Church, Danbury

GCBA Churches without pastors as of June 1, 2009

South Park, Alvin
FBC Damon
Velasco Baptist, Freeport
Shadycrest, Pearland

Holiday Lakes, Angleton
Nueva Vida, Freeport
FBC Lake Jackson
FBC Richwood

Temple Baptist, Clute
FBC Oyster Creek
FBC Manvel
FBC West Columbia

Please be in prayer for these churches as they seek God's man for God's church.