



DeKalb Baptist Association

June 25, 2020

A MESSAGE FROM THE DEKALB BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS STRATEGIST:

Greetings,

June is usually the month for Vacation Bible School (VBS) and yet the Coronavirus has either moved it to a different time and format, or forced churches to cancel it altogether. If your church is still planning on having VBS this summer, please contact the Associational office and let us know. We may be able to help! If your church is still undecided, Lifeway has put out resources with four strategies for having VBS this year. All you have to do is go online and look up *Lifeway.com/4ways* and you will find four great suggestions on how your church can still have VBS this year! They also have an eBook which you can download for further details about each of these four strategies. At your request, the associational office would love to provide a physical copy for you.

You can also find the link at *dekalbbaptistassociation.com*.

In DeKalb County, more and more of our Baptist churches are reopening their buildings for corporate worship. I have attended several of these services and was extremely proud at how well your staff and congregations are social distancing and taking all the necessary precautions to ensure the safety of the church body. If your church has not reopened its doors yet and is still preparing for that day, I have provided a document with several suggestions on guidelines for reopening safely that can be found on the DeKalb Baptist Association website.

Finally, I want to say that although these are very difficult days that have been marked with rising Coronavirus numbers and people protesting in the streets for a variety of reasons, this moment did not catch God by surprise. The answer for peace and tranquility in your life is found in none other than Jesus Christ. As a follower of Christ, we can have peace in the midst of any storm. Now is when the unbelieving world is looking for answers and they will be watching not only how Christians are acting, but what Christians are saying. May we take this moment and point those around us to Jesus.

In Christ,

Dr. Keith Wrenn
Associational Mission Strategist



Pastors' Conference Schedule

July 2020

Speakers

July 6	Rev. Lynn Darnell
July 13	Rev. Mike Miller
July 20	Rev. John Mayes
July 27	Rev. David Cofield

The weekly Pastor's Conference will be held at Broadway Baptist in the Fellowship Hall until further notice so that appropriate social distancing can be maintained by the attending pastors.

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Among Our Churches

- Second Baptist** - is seeking a bi-vocational Minister of Music to lead in a blended worship service consisting of Traditional and Praise & Worship music. For further information, please call 256-845-3112.
- New Hope** - is seeking a part time Youth Minister. For further information please call Bro. Brett Johnson at 256-706-0908.
- Liberty Hill** - is seeking a bi-vocational Pastor.

In Other News

- Several churches still have annuals at the Associational office. Please call the office during business hours to set a time to pick up your copies.
- 2020 Ministers & Wives Retreat** - October 22nd - 25th in Gatlinburg
 - We have a website!
Check us out at dekalbbaptistassociation.com