

Church Development

Chuck Davis, Church Development Director - Report to the Mobile Baptist Association Executive Committee - April 2010

Sunday School Banquet 2010

Our Mobile Baptist Association Sunday School Ministry held their annual ministry recognition banquet at Cottage Hill Baptist Church on January 19. Over 180 Sunday School leaders, from all areas of our county, joined in this special service of recognition and worship.

Dr. Lawrence Phipps, pastor of Vaughn Forest Baptist Church in Montgomery, was our guest speaker. Vaughn Forest has been recognized as one of the top 100 churches in the SBC in baptisms. "Vertical Praise", from the Music Ministry of First Baptist Church of Tillman's Corner, led by Mrs. Deanne Holmes, shared in music and praise at the banquet.

Recognition awards were presented to these churches for their work in reaching people with the Good News of Jesus through Sunday School Ministry.

Enrollment - Numerical Increase

1st	295	FBC Tillman's Corner
2nd	89	Turnerville
3rd	86	Woodridge

Enrollment - Percentage Increase

1st	227%	Pine Springs
2nd	108%	Turnerville
3rd	50%	Fellowship

Attendance - Numerical Increase

1st	87	FBC Wilmer
2nd	66	FBC Tillman's Corner
3rd	46	FBC Snow Road

Attendance - Percentage Increase

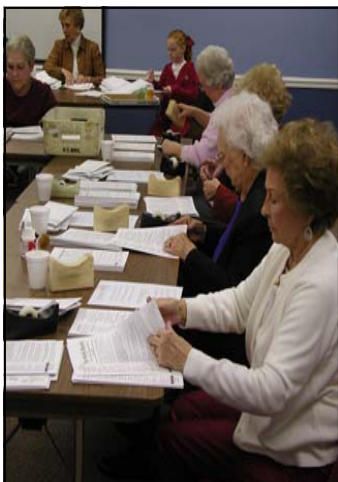
1st	95%	Pine Springs
2nd	77%	FBC South Mobile
2rd	75%	Cloverdale

This annual event was a great opportunity for all Sunday School workers in our churches to come together for fellowship, encouragement, and motivation for the upcoming year. Plan now to enlist your workers to join us next year at the Sunday School Banquet.

Thank You to Cottage Hill Baptist Church, Dr. Keith Thomas and church staff for hosting this event.

Thank You! **VOLUNTEERS !**

A heartfelt **Thank You** goes to all of our faithful MBA Office Volunteers. We are blessed to have a dedicated and faithful group of individuals to assist us with all types of office and communication ministry.



The Mobile Baptist Association offers many training and fellowship opportunities throughout the year. You will see past events on the front and back pages. On the back page, are listings of several of our upcoming major events.

Contact the Church Development Ministry at 661-7111, or e-mail us at rec@mobilebaptists.org or cdd@mobilebaptists.org for more information. The Church Development Ministry also provides individual consultation and training opportunities specifically designed for your church leadership. Give us a call. We look forward to serving you!

Emphasizing: Biblical Prayer, Evangelistic Ministries, Church Development, Church Planting and Partnership Missions

Ministry Equipping Believers for Ministry



BUILDING A VIBRANT SUNDAY SCHOOL IN THE URBAN CHURCH

This conference was designed to assist African American congregations to reach their communities for Christ through Sunday School Ministry.

The conference provided training to assist workers in how to use the Sunday School as an outreach opportunity to their communities and as an in-reach tool to strengthen church members. Over fifty conferees from 4 churches attended this 4 hour training event.

A special "Thank You" goes to Dr. Rudolph Overstreet and the congregation of Ebenezer Baptist Church for hosting this conference.

SENIOR ADULT FESTIVAL



This year the MBA Senior Adult Ministry joined with the Seniors Ministry of Cottage Hill Baptist Church

in a Senior Adult Festival. Over 160 Seniors and guests participated in the event. The event included displays from local Senior Adult ministries, programs and organizations. Included in the displays were several types of health and medical care screenings offered to those in attendance.

The highlight of the event was the music presentations prior to the luncheon. Three concerts of familiar gospel songs were shared. The songs reminded our Seniors of the message of Jesus and His love to all ages of people. A special "Thank You" to the Senior Adult choirs of Cottage Hill, Riverside and First Baptist Church of Tillman's Corner and their directors for leading in this special time of worship. A special "Thank You" goes to Dr. Keith Thomas, Rev. Ronnie McCarson and the congregation of Cottage Hill Baptist Church for hosting this special ministry.



CHALLENGERS BASKETBALL MINISTRY



The MBA Men's Ministries continues to host the Challengers Basketball League. This church ministry

is designed to reach young men, both inside and outside the church, with the Gospel. Each week our churches have a recreation time of basketball. Afterwards, each participant is required to do age appropriate bookwork in order to participate. The gospel is shared throughout the bookwork and an invitation to respond to Christ is given frequently.

This year our league had over 180 players plus coaches and leaders. There were nine Older Challenger and nine Younger Challenger teams. Contact the association office at 661-7111 to find out how you can be part of this ministry

Upcoming Opportunities

WMU/WOMEN'S MINISTRY CELEBRATION - April 29 - 6:00 PM - Cottage Hill Baptist Church
Tickets- \$12.00 each - Purchase Tickets at the MBA
Ticket Sales Deadline - Wednesday, April 21

Join WMU and Women's Ministries leaders from around our association for this annual celebration of the ministries of WMU & Women's Ministries. Our guest speaker is Feleda Keene.

MISSION SERVE - July 17 - 24 - Our association will host over 130 students and leaders for this special association mission project. The participants will do house repairs like painting, roofing and minor wood work for local residents. These "squads" will come from across the country to be a part of this special mission.

We need your Help! Our churches are asked to adopt a squad for the week. The Host Church will provide the daily noon meal for *their* squad at the work site. This is a great opportunity for your church student ministry, Sunday School classes, or church mission groups to "Be On Mission" locally without leaving our county.

Join us and be a part of Mobile's Mission Serve 2010. Call the association office at 661-7111 by May 17th to sign up to host a squad or for additional information about this mission opportunity.

Call 661-7111 for information on additional Equipping, Ministry and Fellowship opportunities of the Church Development Ministry of the MBA !