June/July 2015

The SBA exists to partner with our churches in:

### Strengthening

Christ-like Servant Leadership

### Building

Christ-like *Unity & Community* 

Southern Baptist Convention

# Advancing

Christ-like Love & Acceptance

Send North America







LOCAL CHURCH RESIDENCY
+ SEMINARY TRAINING

LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

Tri-Cities Baptist Church has partnered with The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary to offer a Leadership Training Program right here in the Tri-Cities.

They would like to share this opportunity for training with all the SBA Churches.

Visit tebchurch.org/seminary for more information.

### **EXECUTIVE TEAM MEETING**

Thursday, September 3, 2015 Lynn Garden Baptist Church 10 am

### **On Mission with Chris**

### **Reflections on Leadership**

Recently I was reflecting on King David and was impacted by 3 simple lessons from his life.

Be Committed: David was known as a man after God's own heart and he was passionate about proclaiming God's great name (Psalm 40). It is possible to be busy doing the work of the ministry yet lose our passion to be committed to the mission of the gospel. Even in the midst or troubling cultural times, may our commitment to the mission of the Gospel grow.

Be Courageous: It would be nearly impossible to mention David's name without thinking courage. From protecting his sheep to defeating Goliath, David's courage was fueled by his unwavering faith in his God. There are days you and I may be tempted to circle the wagons and hunker down, but we serve a great warrior God and we need to courageously advance.

Be Careful: 2 Samuel 11:2 is the beginning of a tragic episode in David's life. He saw something he should not have seen and because he was alone without the accountability of his men. He wasn't careful...and he fell into the trap. You and I will be tempted, the further we journey, to believe that we don't need the accountability of others. Be careful not to depend on your own strength and to not lean on the relationships of other Christ-Followers that God has placed in your life.

God has call us to a great Mission...may we learn from Israel's greatest leader as we lead.

### Chris Alford

Husband, Father, Pastor, Coach, & Missionary

### **Year-to-date Undesignated Gifts to the SBA** 10/01/2014 to 4/30/2015

Total Rec	reived	\$67,198.42
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# Building Christ-Like Unity and Community as a Connector

# 2015 SBC Annual Meeting

Columbus, Ohio June 16-17, 2015

Please pray for the Southern Baptist Convention as they prepare to meet in June. If you are unable to attend, you can watch live streaming video of the convention at <a href="http://www.sbc.net/">http://www.sbc.net/</a>

# ${f A}$ dvancing Christ-Like Love and Acceptance as a ${f Catalyst}$



### Are you ready to join the everyday mission of God?

The Send North America Conference is a two-day gathering of the church in North America. The heart of this gathering is to see a movement of people from within the church living out the mission of God in their everyday lives.

For more information, visit <a href="http://sendconference.com/">http://sendconference.com/</a>.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Roundtable Dates**

There are no Roundtables scheduled for June.

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#### **Bulletin Board**

New Fellowship Ministries, Church Hill, TN is seeking a part-time worship leader for a medium sized church near Kingsport. 10 hours per week commitment, including Sunday mornings. Prefer someone who can play keyboards. Must be able to lead congregation and have ability to play both traditional and contemporary music. This person will work with experienced, existing team that includes guitarist, drummer, and other vocalists.

Contact Bill Bard (423) 963-5504 for more information.

# **Sullivan Secretaries**

Tuesday, July 14th

Salsarita's, Kingsport 11:30 am



### **Ministry Opportunities**

We are currently searching for ministry partner in the following areas:

- Simple office work...such as filing, cleaning, etc.
- We are also looking for a volunteer reporter.

If any of these opportunities spark your interest, please contact the office at

office@SullivanBA.org or call 343-8010.

Every Tuesday - 830 Prayer, Bill's Automotive

#### **Stay Connected**

There are several ways to stay connected with the SBA on upcoming events:

Subscribe to our weekly newsletter, the SBA Happenings

Visit our website and check out the SBA Calendar at <a href="www.SullivanBA.org">www.SullivanBA.org</a>.

Like our Facebook page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/sullivanbaptistassociation">https://www.facebook.com/sullivanbaptistassociation</a>



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