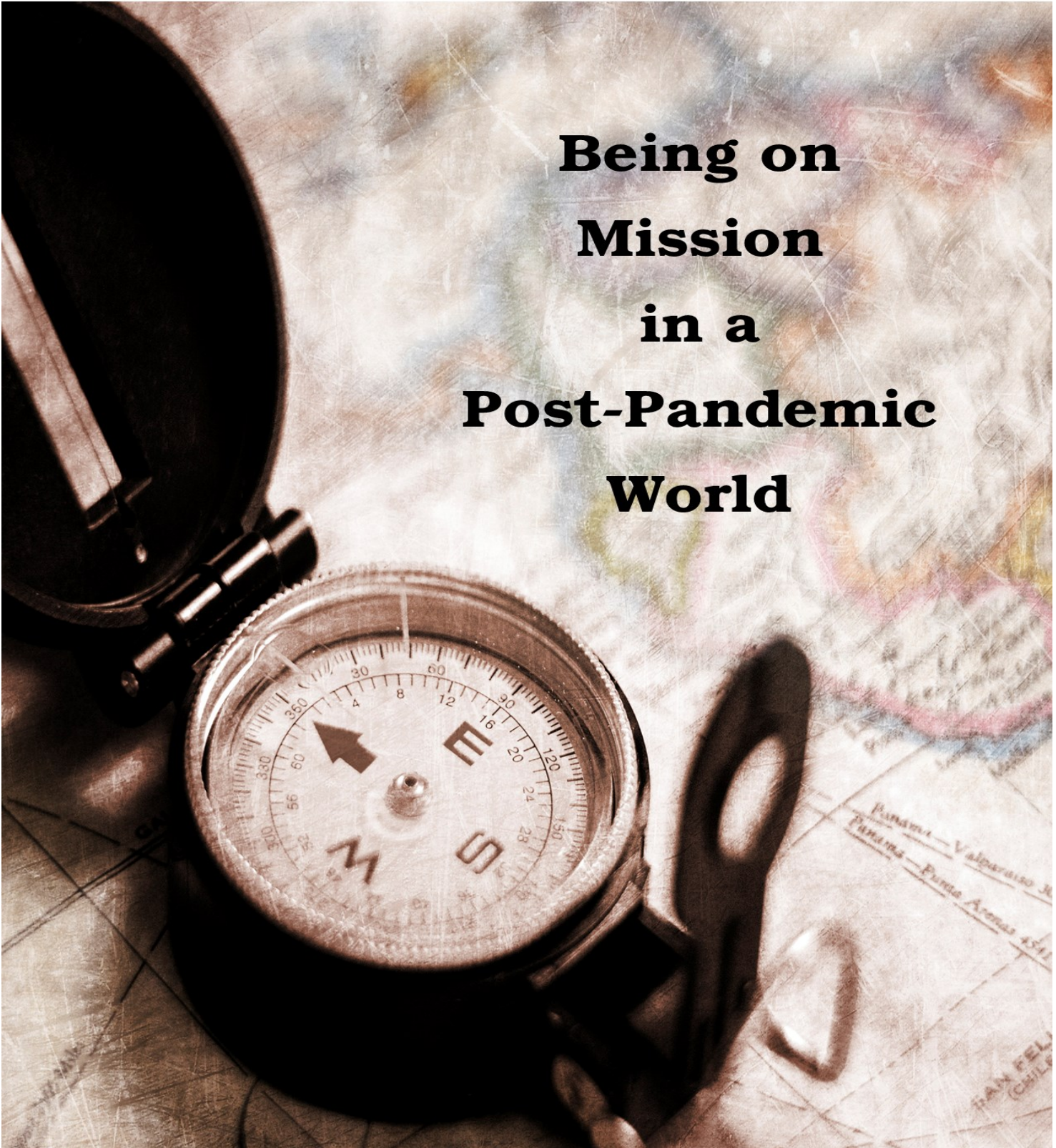


Be Transformed

SBA LIVE

February 2021

Joining God on Mission Together.



**Being on
Mission
in a
Post-Pandemic
World**

And he said to them, “Why did you seek me? Did you not know that I must be about my Father’s business (Luke 2. 49)?” Jesus asked Joseph and Mary these questions. We need to answer, “Why?” Why do we do ministry the way we do? Does our ministry bear much fruit in the Kingdom? If the answer to “Why?” makes us uncomfortable then this is a great time to set a new ministry course that is in line with the Father’s business.

Is there a “must be about” in the ministry, the missions, the evangelism, and discipleship that we do? If not, then perhaps what we are doing should be set aside and replaced with something that comes with the same gospel urgency that Jesus expressed to Joseph and Mary that day.

The Suwannee Missionary Baptist Association is hosting a Missions Partnerships Workshop. This workshop is geared to help you and your church family to engage in missions, locally, nationally, and globally. Representatives from local, national, and international mission organizations will share ways you can join God on mission.

Gospel Partnership Strategies: Being on Mission in a Post Pandemic World

Tuesday, March 09: 6:30 – 8:00 pm, Westside Baptist Church 13969 Railroad St, Live Oak

The context of being the church changed in March 2020. Our mission has not changed. Throughout history the church has dealt with the challenges of being salt and light in a dark world. This Gospel Partnership Strategies (GPS) workshop is designed to inform, inspire, and involve you on mission.

Dr. Jamie Work, IMB Associational Missions Network Associate, will be our keynote speaker. Jamie has pastored and served as an IMB missionary. You will interact with local, national, and global mission partners and discover ways you can be on mission today.

Ministry Hub Project

On December 30, 2020, the Suwannee Missionary Baptist Association purchased 14 acres surrounding the SWBA office. Our next step is to clear underbrush and survey the property. The property was paid for with existing Operating Account funds and a \$10,000 donation. An additional \$14,500 has been received for the ministry hub development.

The Administrative Team is currently polling pastors to gain insight regarding how future facilities might assist, strengthen, and enhance the work of their churches. If you have a missions or ministry idea, please share it with us via email to andy.jordan@sbalive.net.

Grace and Peace,

Andy



[Florida Baptists](#) will come together to sharpen, encourage and equip one another during the [Challenge 2025 Gathering](#) scheduled for Feb. 16 at First Baptist Church in Orlando.

[Tommy Green](#), executive director-treasurer of the Florida Baptist Convention, called the event "an incredible regathering of the Florida Baptist family. Our focus will be on the mission of reaching Florida for Christ. I encourage our pastors to attend and be equipped by dynamic practitioners in many areas of ministry."



Exciting beginning to our week; clearing underbrush from the new property.

Having you been thinking of ways to use a "Community Ministry Hub" ?

Let us know ways we can be salt & light to our community.

Let's continue to be on mission in this post pandemic world.

Gospel Partnership Strategies

March 9, 2021 - 6:30

Westside Baptist
13969 Railroad Ave.

Special Guest:

Dr. Jamie Work, IMB

Mission Partners:

Utah/ Idaho Montana
Mexico Romania Brazil
Hurricane Recovery - Marianna

2021 Annual Celebration

October 10, 2021

Hosted by:

Mt. Olive Baptist Church

5317 98th Terr

Live Oak, Fl 32060

Guest Speaker: Tommy Green



May 11, 2021 - 6:30

(Gospel Initiatives)

O'Brien Baptist

9544 CR 349

O'Brien, Fl

Sept. 14, 2021 - 6:30

(Budget Discussion)

SBA offices

1747 Walker Ave. SW

Live Oak, Fl

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BUILDING  **FUND**
Update

A Building Fund has been established for our future Community Ministry Hub. To date we have received a gift of \$10,000 that was designated toward the purchase of the property. Gifts totaling \$14,500 have been received to go toward the building of the facility

Final Operation Christmas Child Report

The 2020 National Collection Week for Operation Christmas Child was approached with much prayer waiting to see how the Lord was going to bless the ministry during a troubling and difficult time. Well, God indeed did bless tremendously. We realized that some churches might not be able to participate in 2020 and some might be able to participate on a limited basis; but we also knew that God would supply the shoeboxes needed to reach children around the world with the Gospel. Even though some churches that participated in 2019 were not able to participate in 2020, we had NEW churches step up to the plate and contribute shoeboxes. What a blessing!!!!

Our final totals for the Suwannee Valley Area were amazing. During National Collection Week (NCW), 15,867 shoeboxes were physically dropped off at one of our Drop-Off Locations. In addition, there were 669 shoeboxes packed online, for a total of 16,536 shoeboxes for our area. That is only 484 shoeboxes less than the total for 2019. God's people are truly a giving, generous people, even in difficult times. Our true goal is to get the Gospel to children using a simple shoebox as a tool to get them to an event where they can hear about Jesus.

If your church packed shoeboxes online exclusively, please contact us so that we can record that your church participated. We received online shoebox totals, but were not given any information as to who packed them. This would help in our record keeping.

Thank you for your participation in the ministry. Our prayer is that you will continue to support the ministry through your prayers, financial contributions, and shoebox donation.

Serving God together,
Joe and Susan Crocker
Area Coordinators
Suwannee Valley Area
Operation Christmas Child
FL/PR Region

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2021 Mission Opportunities

August or September (TBA) - Utah / Idaho

Missoula Montana (Explore Church)- June 10-16, 2021

Mexico - April & July

Marianna, FL (Hurricane Recovery) - July

As details are finalized we will update the schedule however, if you are interested please contact: Mathew McDonald 727-698-8357 or SBA office 386-362-1110



Community Ministries

* Feeding Ministry partnered with First Baptist Live Oak. Volunteers needed weekly

* FBC, Live oak Men's Prayer Breakfast WED. 6:30 in the sanctuary

* Mt. Gilead Food Ministry
2nd & 4th Sat 7:30 - 11:30
(corner of Hwy 90 W and Falmouth rd.)
Gene Watson: 386-209-4252

O'Brien Baptist Food Ministry
3rd Tuesday 10:00 - 1:00
9544 E. CR 349, O'Brien, FL
Keith Jones: 352-210-2219

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Revitalization/Discipleship
Tim Setzer
David Garrett

Anyone wishing to participate in the 2021 Mobile Dental Mission is welcome to attend an information/organizational meeting on March 16, 2021 6:00pm @ Wellborn Baptist Church

