

EXCITED ABOUT THE FUTURE

As I begin my ninth year as your Director of Missions, I am excited about the bright future for Baldwin Baptist Association.

We have much to be thankful for and praise God for. We have made it through the storms of Covid and Hurricane Sally together. Our pastors and church leaders have given incredible leadership through challenging and trying days. Our associational staff and ministry leaders have also given extraordinary leadership. You have been faithful in your missions giving, even in times when it was difficult for the congregation to meet in person. Our committees have made wise decisions through difficult days.

I salute Gil Johnson and the Camp Baldwin staff for their faithfulness and diligence through very difficult months, when people were not attending camps because of Covid. The camp is not only rebounding, but we look forward to it's expansion in the future.

As we look to the future as an association, please pray for the things that we will continue to work on, as well as some new things. 1. Continue to offer help to our churches for revitalization and strengthening.

2. With rapid population growth, continue to start new churches as new communities arise.

3. We look forward to soon launching a new Spanish speaking church. A team has been working on this for some time. We also will start Spanish speaking Bible study groups in various communities, with the idea of starting new churches from these.

4. A strategy to connect community newcomers to our local churches.5. Expand our ministry to the Gulf Coast and other recreational areas where millions of people visit every year.

6. Strengthen ministry to Ministers and their families. Angie Estes is currently working on a new ministry to Minister's wives.

7. Start new ministries that will directly connect to people in our communities. The concern and help that was given by people in our association, during Hurricane Sally, reveals a lot of needs and our ability to connect with people.

8. An intentional plan to increase mission's volunteers.

The foundation for all of this is prayer. Jerry Dixon, who has a passion and heart for prayer and has been a great prayer leader in the past, will be working with me to develop a prayer team to pray for our association and provide prayer opportunities for us.

I love serving you as your Director of Missions. I look forward to every day. Thank you for being such a blessing to me and my family.

Rick Ellison

Local VBS Dates

Silverhill FBC	Wednesdays: July 21,28, and Aug 4
Fairhope Community	July 18-21, 5:30-8:00 pm
Spanish Fort FBC	Sundays July 18&25, 5:00-7:00 pm
Lillian FBC	July 19-23, 5:30-8:30 pm
	Dinner Provided
Three Rivers Baptist	July 26-30, 6-8:30 pm

SEND Relief

Emphasis Sunday, July 18, 2021

ASSOCIATION STAFF:

Rick Ellison, *Director of Missions* Nate Diehl, *GARM/Campus Ministries Director* Marsha Laird, *Executive Ministry Assistant* Angie Estes, *Clerk/Ministry Assistant*

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