

Santa Rosa Baptist Association

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VIEW

Associational Mission Strategist

September was a great month with many "Go Jesus" moments in the Santa Rosa Baptist Association of Churches.

At the beginning of the month, I had the opportunity to go to Atlanta for an Associational Mission Strategist retreat. AMS personnel from all over the nation converged on Atlanta for a three-day event. The first day specifically targeted AMS personnel that had been serving in their role for under one year. It was truly a blessing meeting many people in like ministry circumstances and those that had a wealth of experience. I was able to glean many thoughts/principals from my experience those three days. One of the highlights from the trip, was connecting to the husband of one of my college students from my ministry in Gainesville. He is now presently serving as one of the AMS personnel in North Carolina.

Another highlight for the month is a couple of churches in our county that are choosing to enter into foster agreements. In the south end of the county, First Baptist Navarre is partnering with Wallace Baptist in Pace in a Foster Agreement. In the Milton area, Ferris Hill is partnering with Pine Terrace in a Foster Agreement. It is a "Go Jesus" moment when churches choose to partner for kingdom purposes.

During September, Evangelical Council for Abuse Prevention (ECAP) hosted a training at First Baptist in Chipley. ECAP is operating all over the country to help churches and organizations "navigate the waters" of abuse in our local context. They have a wealth of resources that are available to churches. These resources will guide churches to generate an abuse policy and produce procedures to ensure the safety of our young people. If you have never interacted with the resources from ECAP I refer you to their website: <https://ecap.net/>

September was also a great month for our church planters in Pakistan. First off, the SRBA churches raised enough money to send over 60 Pakistani pastors to the training in October. Living Truth raised enough for over 30 pastors themselves. To date, as of the writing of this article, there have been already 1,400 baptisms. Go Jesus!!!

During this month, I had the glorious opportunity to share at New Life and James Street on a Sunday Morning. Jeremy Gault also invited me to share a devotion during their regular Wednesday night prayer meeting. If you are ever in need of someone to fill your pulpit, I so enjoy sharing God's Word in our churches and meeting the precious people in the churches of the SRBA. If I am unavailable, we have an extensive list of names of men that are willing and able to share God's Word.

Upcoming events: (You may also RSVP at <https://www.srassociation.org/events>)

SRBA Leadership Training

Date: November 9, 2023

Location: La Hacienda (Milton)

Time: 6:30 PM

RSVP: November 6th

If you serve as a ministry point-person, you are invited to attend. We will discuss plans for the 2024 and dream about what our Lord and Savior wants to do through the SRBA in the New Year.

Executive Christmas Party

Date: December 4

Location: New Life Baptist

Time: 6:30 pm

Come enjoy a night of celebration of what God has done in the SRBA in 2023, as well as, celebrate our Lord coming to earth, Immanuel. Entertainment provided by New Life Baptist Members. If you are planning on attending, please RSVP to the SRBA office by November 22nd.

Right around the Corner....

Prayer Conference

Date: January 18

Location: First Baptist Church of Milton-
Family Life Center

Time: 6:30 PM/ Meal to Follow

Costs: \$10

Description: We will start our year praying for revival in our churches, our people, and our ministries as we go forth into our communities.

Rev. Joshua M. Wallnofer, Pastor of Klondike Church in Pensacola, will be our guest speaker. Come to be challenged and to pray. Let's start the New Year off right! Please RSVP to the SRBA office by January, 11.

Tax Update Conference

Date: January 23

Location: SRBA Office

Time: 10:30 AM/ Lunch to Follow

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Church	9/15/23 10/15/23	2023 Total
Antioch Fellowship	50.00	500.00
Avalon	0.00	2,950.77
Bagdad First	127.86	1,240.97
Berrydale	303.55	3,654.38
Billory	348.00	3,201.00
Blackwater	167.22	1,879.98
Calvary	0.00	450.00
Cora	635.77	4,362.02
East Side	100.00	900.00
Ferris Hill	200.00	1,800.00
Floridatown	150.00	1,725.00
Friendship	681.54	8,162.04
GB First	0.00	0.00
Harold First	50.00	433.37

Church	9/15/23 10/15/23	2023 Total
Hic. Hammock	0.00	100.00
Immanuel	0.00	13,500.00
James Street	35.73	450.46
Jay First	416.67	4,166.70
Journey	0.00	0.00
Live Oak	00.00	225.00
Living Truth	2,906.00	14,303.10
Midway	0.00	110.00
Milton First	1,080.50	11,706.96
Mission Casa	50.00	450.00
Navarre First	386.31	5,038.46
New Bethel	0.00	932.54
New Life	214.66	2,129.69
Olivet	0.00	3,989.79

Church	9/15/23 10/15/23	2023 Total
Pine Level	236.90	3,051.54
Pine Terrace	1,296.30	15,639.51
Pleasant Home	1,011.31	2,854.10
Providence	0.00	0.00
Replicate (LT East)	0.00	487.00
S. R. Shores	309.14	1,605.65
Springhill	225.00	675.00
Stump Springs	0.00	0.00
The Point, SBC	70.86	1,089.13
Wallace	934.43	11,241.05
Woodbine	100.00	1,000.00
Total GIFTS	10,851.44	126,005.11



We appreciate all of you and your giving; as you give to your church, the church gives to the association. In this way, we all work together for the Kingdom of God, seeing people saved and lives changed!! Thank you so much!

Upcoming Events

- Ministers' Peer Learning Groups, 10:30am**
- ♦ **Milton Peer Learning Group** - November 7, 2023
 - ♦ **Navarre Peer Learning Group** - November 9, 2023
 - ♦ **Pace Peer Learning Group** - Thanksgiving Break

- Events:** See_Details of Events: <https://flbaptist.org/events/>
- ★ • **116th Annual Meeting Speaker's Messages** may be heard on our website <https://www.srassociation.org/about-1>
 - **SRBA Point-Person Leadership Meeting**, Nov. 9th @ La Hacienda, Milton. 6:30pm Please RSVP by Nov. 6th
 - **FL Baptist Convention @ Idlewild BC**, Nov. 12-14
 - **"Enduring in Ministry" Pastors & Wives FREE Retreat**, Nov. 2-4/Ft. Walton Beach
 - **Lottie Moon Prayer & Christmas Offering** Dec. 3-10th
 - **SRBA Executive Committee Christmas Banquet**, Dec. 4th 6:30 pm @ New Life



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Description: Mrs. Charissa Cotten will come and share pertinent information for ministers and financial secretaries concerning changes in the tax code for the upcoming tax season.

Please RSVP by January, 17 to the SRBA office so we know how much food to prepare.

DNOW 2024-
Date: February 16-17

For more information, contact Bo Mills at First Baptist of Milton.

God is on the move, look around see where He is working and join Him. Looking forward to seeing you soon.

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