



June 2020 Newsletter

**San Felipe Baptist Association**  
Exists to  
**Assist**  
**Encourage**  
**and Resource churches**  
to fulfill the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20) and the two Great Commandments (Matthew 22:36-40).

**imb**  
VIRTUAL  
**Sending Celebration**  
TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2020 - 7pm EDT  
facebook.com/imb.sbc  
vimeo.com/imbmissions  
Sending 61 new missionaries to the nations.

Since 1845, nearly 25,000 Southern Baptist missionaries have shared the gospel, made disciples, planted churches and settled their families in 185 countries around the world. We were excitedly planning a Sending Celebration for June 9 at the SBC Annual Meeting to send out 59 new Southern Baptist missionaries. Though we will not have the opportunity to gather in person, we will offer an online celebration. Please join us for a Facebook Live event on June 9 at 7 p.m. EDT on IMB's Facebook and Vimeo pages. You will have the opportunity to hear the stories of how God has called these missionaries. You will also be able to join us in praying over them. We look forward to joining you online June 9!

**Terry Sharp**  
CONVENTION AND NETWORK RELATIONS LEADER

**SFBA Pastors' Zoom Update and Virtual Executive Board Meeting**  
Wednesday, June 24 10:00 AM

As most churches are gradually reopening this month, we will forego any additional face to face meetings for now in the interest of caution. We hope to resume our quarterly Intersection meetings later in the summer or fall as conditions allow. However, we plan to offer occasional online Zoom updates for pastors and other church leaders throughout the summer. The Zoom meeting for June is scheduled for Wednesday, June 24, at 10:00 am. This will include a virtual Executive Board meeting for the second quarter of 2020. We encourage pastors, staff, and other board members to mark your calendars for the date and time.

Join Zoom Meeting link:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87025163497?pwd=ajZEVlExQ0S9czhZMGdvaHpRa2pJOT09>  
Meeting ID: 870 2516 3497  
Password: 173039

Doug Brooks, pastor of Brazos Bend Baptist Church and professor at College of Biblical Studies, reminds all pastors of opportunities for free ministry education.

**EMERGING LEADERS PROGRAM**  
*A Partnership Between Local Churches and the College of Biblical Studies*

Young men in the Greater Houston area may qualify for a very important, valuable scholarship to attend the College of Biblical Studies, an accredited college located at 7000 Regency Square Boulevard in Houston. Because of the generosity of a gracious supporter, the Emerging Leaders Scholarship will fully fund an associate degree, with the possibility of a bachelor's degree if participants are successful.

*The men selected must: (1) be under age 30, (2) have graduated from high school (or GED), (3) have grown up without an engaged/positive father in their home, (4) attend church and be referred/affirmed by their pastor.*

If this describes you, please scan the QR Code below to go to our special application, or visit [cbshouston.edu/emergingleaders](http://cbshouston.edu/emergingleaders). Being accepted into the prestigious Emerging Leaders program means you can attend college at no cost to you – and you can earn a degree that will change your future forever!

The good news is that you can begin right away. Five-week courses begin throughout the year. We can walk you through this process, if needed, either in person or by phone. Once you apply, we will get back to you quickly to let you know whether you are accepted into the program.

**Young men who are selected must:**

- Commit to a minimum of a two-year associate degree, with the option of a four-year degree
- Be referred by or affirmed by their pastor
- Allow CBS to share information about their progress with their pastor and/or accountability partner
- Work closely with a CBS advisor/mentor to stay enrolled in classes, meet requirements to pass classes and to graduate
- Serve their home church through a CBS Christian Service Learning Program project

**If selected for the program, you will receive numerous benefits, in addition to a life-transforming education:**

- All tuition, fees and books fully paid by CBS (Emerging Leaders may not take out loans while in school)
- A group of student peers to support and encourage you
- Life assessments to help you understand your gifts and find your place in the world
- Mentoring, discipline and accountability partners
- Free personal counseling, if needed
- Study-skills support and financial stewardship education
- A fully accredited associate and/or bachelor's degree – if you stay strong and persist!
- A lifetime friendship connection to CBS alumni and faculty

Call or email us right away to discuss the next steps. We look forward to getting to know you!

**Please do not delay; this scholarship is worth up to \$40,000!**

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The Emerging Leaders Scholarship is intended for new students to CBS.

Hello Pastor,  
Helping people feel connected and supported is more important than ever. If you haven't already, join leaders across the nation who are bridging the gap between in-person gatherings and revolutionizing their follow-up strategy with digital surveys. The Crisis Toolkit, powered by Barna and Gloop, is your hub for engaging with your community and leading with confidence now.

There are two Church Check-Ins that allow you to get valuable insights on how your people and leaders are doing in their health, relationships, jobs, finances, and faith right now. **Our Latest Check-In: Congregants** and **Our Latest Check-In: Church Leaders** are short, 20-question surveys (3-6 minutes to complete) that tell you how they're feeling and what they might be struggling with at different times during the crisis. Plus, you'll see the results in an interactive dashboard, so that you can respond with timely sermons, resources, or other avenues of outreach.

We also want to hear how YOU are. There is a **Weekly Pastor Poll**, which not only allows you to lend your voice to the nationwide conversation, but also unlocks the national aggregate poll results, providing you with insight into how other community leaders are feeling and responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Our hope is that this can offer peace of mind as you navigate new ways to connect with your people and make decisions on how to show up and serve your community.

- Here's how to get started:**
1. **Register your church** by clicking this link: <https://accounts.gloop.us/register/organization?membershipOrgId=590e9ace-894b-11ea-a4e6-9fc941356009&source=sotc>. Already have an account with Gloop? Use the link to get connected to us.
  2. **Determine which Check-In to deploy.** We suggest starting with the Check-In for Congregants.
  3. Take the **Weekly Pastor Poll**.
  4. **View and compare** your Check-In results and national Pastor Poll results on an interactive dashboard.
  5. Browse the other free tools available in the platform that can help you know and engage those you serve.

Let's stay connected with our people and serve them better together.  
Sincerely,  
Perry Eaton  
Associate Director of Missions  
San Felipe Baptist Association

P.S. If you still have questions about how these tools can transform the way you do ministry, [click here](#) to learn more.

**gloop** FREE TOOLS TO HELP YOU  
**See clearly. Lead confidently. Engage effectively.**

in partnership with North American Mission Board

**What's Included**

- Insights to Help You Stay Informed**
  - National Weekly Pastor Poll helps you understand how other leaders like you are handling the crisis
  - Covers topics like
    - Online engagement
    - Living trends
    - Church priorities & staff health
  - See nationwide results filtered by size
  - Use the **Know Your Community** report to understand the needs of the people in your community
- Customizable Check-Ins + Surveys**
  - Surveys and Check-Ins keep you connected to your people
  - Covers topics like
    - Readiness to return to church
    - Emotional health
    - Spiritual health
    - Personal finances
  - Customizable with up to 10 of your questions
  - Add your own next step URL
  - Deploy as often as you like
  - [NEW] Returning to Church Survey
- Community Services Directory**
  - As you register, you will choose the services and programs you currently offer to your community
  - Creates visibility for services like:
    - Food pantry
    - Child care
    - Online groups and services
  - Real-time, map-based data to see how other organizations are serving around you

**How It Works**

1. Register your Church on Gloop
2. Send surveys to your congregants
3. View the Results and Follow-up
4. Reach your Community with Insights

Register at [app.gloop.us](https://app.gloop.us)

See Clearly - Lead Confidently - Engage Effectively. Powered by gloop

**Prayer Targets**

Pastorless Churches

1st Baptist Church ~ East Bernard  
1st Baptist Church ~ Rosenberg  
1st Baptist Church ~ Richmond

Staff Vacancies

Student Pastor ~ Parkway Fellowship ~ Fulshear  
Worship Pastor ~ Calvary Baptist ~ Rosenberg  
Student Pastor ~ River Bend Baptist ~ Fulshear  
Student Pastor ~ Redeemer Community Church ~ Katy