

WELCOME to the Central Baptist Association Newsletter.

In this newsletter you will find information about upcoming events, stay up to date with our associate ministries, new church staff and much more.

“Why do we do what we do?” I am preparing a message about this question because I believe it is a question we need to ask. As a non-believer I sometimes wondered why church folk would spend their time going to church on a Sunday morning when they could stay home and read the newspaper (old school... I know). For some believers who have grown weary of the routine of going to church, Bible studies, pot-lucks and special events it might also be a valid question. I know there are some committed followers of Jesus who are struggling to find the reason for “hanging in there” with their church because of disappointments, frustrations and unmet expectations. So, I would ask you, how you would answer this question – “Why do you do what you do for Jesus?”

The Apostle Paul gives us a compelling statement in 2 Corinthians 5:14-15, “For Christ’s love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And He died for all that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.”

The word “compel” is an interesting word. It has the idea of being “pressed on” in a way that may cause an action or response. I think of a balloon. When air is blown into a rubber balloon it causes pressure which, when the balloon opening is un-pinched, causes the expulsion of the air and the force causes the rubber balloon to take off.

Christ’s love is so powerful toward us and in us it should flow out of us toward others. In a sense His love is so intense that we can’t help but let it flow out of us. Because He first loved us we are to love others and are “compelled” to do so. If His love is all we had, all we received, it should be enough to motivate us to love Him and love others. His love “compels” us to pray, to serve, to forgive and to take the good news of His love to all we encounter so they can experience His love as well. His love “compels” us to live a life of obedience, so He will be glorified.

If we are driven by our own wants and desires, we are operating out of the flesh and we receive the glory. If we are driven by the inexhaustible flow of His love in us, we are operating in His strength and power and He receives the honor and glory. Our love is weak and unsustainable while God’s love is powerful and eternal.

When you are facing trials, struggles, doubts, frustration, or are just “growing weary in well doing” remember that you have within you the powerful and unrelenting love of Jesus Christ which will move you to move forward and deal with the challenges of life.

I have prayed that three things will define me and CBA this year:

Unlimited love, Uncompromising Truth and Unrelenting Mission. I pray I will be, and our association will be, overflowing with Christ’s love which compels us to live by His Uncompromising Truth in a world that is lacking His truth and compels us to engage in the Unrelenting Mission He has called us to which is making disciples of all Nations.

See you at the State Evangelism Conference February 24-25 at Sandia Baptist Church.

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A vertical poster for the New Mexico Evangelism Conference 2020. The background is a blue sky with white clouds. A large black cross is positioned on the right side. At the top, a blue banner reads "NEW MEXICO". Below it, a yellow banner with red text reads "1 FOCUS • 1 FAMILY • 1 FAITH". Underneath, a blue box contains the words "EVANGELISM CONFERENCE" in white. The main title "New Mexico Evangelism Conference 2020" is in large white font. Below that, "SAVE THE DATE!" is written in white. A yellow banner with red text provides the dates "February 24-25, 2020" and the location "Sandia Baptist Church, Albuquerque". At the bottom left, contact information for Cheryl Vaughn is listed. At the bottom right is the BCNM logo and a small text block about the conference's funding.

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EVANGELISM CONFERENCE

New Mexico Evangelism Conference 2020

SAVE THE DATE!

February 24-25, 2020
Sandia Baptist Church,
Albuquerque

For more information contact:
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BCNM
ADVANCING THE KINGDOM

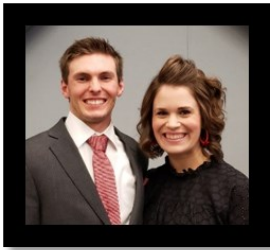
The New Mexico Evangelism Conference is provided through the generous gifts of Baptist Convention of New Mexico churches to the Cooperative Program.

REAL LIFE

Real Life is looking for a part time worship leader.

We're looking for someone who can sing and play guitar or keyboard. Duties will include scheduling worship songs/services and musicians, and lead worship most weekends. They will also work with the Lead Pastor to develop worship services that honor God and draw people into His presence. Our contact info is carl@reallifenm.org and/or 505-278-0475.

SANDIA BAPTIST



Sandia Baptist Church is overjoyed to welcome Aaron Ricks as our new Minister to Families. He and his beautiful wife Abi are settling into their new home here in Albuquerque. We hosted an Ordination service for Aaron on Sunday, January 12 and were blessed to have many of their family members present to celebrate with us. After the service we hosted an Old Fashioned Pounding and Potluck to get their pantry stuffed! They have hit the ground running and are forging ahead in ministry.

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It hurts to lose someone. Find help at GriefShare. GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. Our group will meet on Wednesdays, February 5 – April 29, 2020. You can join at any time! Please register at www.griefshare.org

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Our High School seniors and college aged students are heading to Texas to attend the Linger Conference February 13 – 16, 2020. Contact Andy Donalson if you are interested in attending! adonalson@sandiabaptist.org or 505.292.2713.

"THE WONDERFUL LOVE OF CHRIST"

Concert

John 3:16

For GOD so loved the world that He gave His only son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

Come together in one to remember the great sacrifice that our Lord Jesus did with love for every single one of us. In what we would Worship and Exalt His Name.

Invite a friend to come hear the message of love that Jesus has for them.

When: Saturday 15 of February 2020

4 p.m.

**Where: First Bilingual Baptist Church
812 Fruit Ave. Albuquerque**



Save The Date!

“April 3-4 2020” Native Awakening: Hearing Gods Call Location: Del Norte Baptist Church, Albuquerque N.M. Speaker: Tom Blackaby of Blackaby Ministries Prayer, music, speakers, fellowship_ -More details to come! ~*A Spiritual Awakening of Native America*~

C.A.S.A. presents
CENTRAL ASSOCIATION SENIOR ADULTS



Saturday, March 21

9:00 AM

Fellowship

Bring Finger Food to Share & Non-perishable food
or Cash Donations for The Rock at Noonday

10:00 AM

Vocal and Instrumental Performances

By Church Groups and Individuals

Worship

Led by Kevin and Toni Warner, Del Norte Baptist Church

Speakers

Chad Spriggs, NAMB Church Planting Catalyst
Monty Mullenix, Senior Pastor, First Baptist Church, Bloomfield
NAMB Liaison for New Mexico

First Baptist Church, Rio Rancho

3906 19th Avenue SE, Rio Rancho
Corner of Rio Rancho Blvd. (NM 528), Opposite Intel



Join us at Del Norte Baptist Church
5800 Montgomery Blvd NE,
Albuquerque
On Friday, April 17 & Saturday, April 18, 2020



Jodi Hendricks

Jodi Hendricks is a Licensed Mental Health Counselor providing biblically focused counseling in Albuquerque, New Mexico. She and her husband Michael have 4 beautiful children. Jodi aspires to challenge and encourage women in their personal growth in Jesus Christ. By digging deeply into God's Word, Jodi shares real and creative ways of claiming its truths as our own.

From the chains of his prison cell, Paul prayed that the people of Ephesus would have the eyes of their hearts enlightened so that they would see the Hope, the Richness, and the Greatness of God. Paul's desire for his fellow believers to experience this vision came from his own experience of having the scales over the eyes of his heart torn away to reveal the absolute, amazing, all-encompassing love of God. Join me as we discover how we, too, can finally allow our hearts to soak in the truth of God's vision of us so that we may begin to comprehend His vision *for* us.

Worship led by
Jennifer Pinkston

SATURDAY

SCHEDULE

Friday Evening	8:00 Continental Breakfast
6:00 Registration	8:30 Welcome & Worship
6:30 Welcome & Worship	9:00 General Session
General Session	10:00 Workshops
8:30 Closing	11:00 Workshops
	12:00 Lunch
	1:00 Workshops
	2:00 Closing Session

WORKSHOPS

Barb Mulvey

Workshop 1: How do you see God?

Some people see God as a "Gotcha God". Others see God as a "Heavenly Vending Machine". For years I saw God as uncaring. We know the truth in our heads but often, when things get difficult, we forget who God really is. Do you see God rightly?

Workshop 2: How do you see yourself?

As a Biblical counselor I hear many women describe themselves as I once did - losers, fakers, outcasts, or helpless and hopeless. A study of Ephesians 1 will unveil new truths about who you truly are in Christ. Do you see yourself as God sees you?

Toni Warner

(Workshop repeats)

Involving Interpretive Dance In Worship

Would your church like to experience Interpretive Dance? This workshop is an introduction to the art of worship in dance and how you can start a team in your church.

Denise Clymer

Is God's Vision Your Vision? (Workshop repeats)

In this breakout we will explore how focusing on God's vision impacts our person and family life, church, and even our community.

Connie Dixon

Build Each Other Up (Workshop repeats)

We were never meant to walk through life alone; we were made for community. We need other people in our lives to help us grow into the person God made us to be and to look for who we can encourage as well.

Kathy Cooksey

Workshop #1: What was it like to be a missionary in Japan for ten years in five locations with six small children? Come ask anything and hear crazy stories!

Workshop #2: Home schooling is the hardest thing I ever loved. After 23 years of homeschooling I'm still learning but so blessed to be able to hang out with my kids!



Name _____

Address _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Church Name _____

Number of Reservations _____

NO REFUNDS

Mail to Rose Alexa, PO Box 787, Tijeras, NM 87059

RESERVATIONS:

Both days

\$25 Cash or Check \$30.00 at the door

Friday night only \$15.00

Make checks payable to CBA

Registration deadline is April 8, 2020

Lunch Included with early registration

Lunch not guaranteed after April 8

Questions or more info contact:

Rose Alexa 505-281-3457 or

hummingbirdacres_48@yahoo.com

or Kim Nickell 505-220-4530

or ksnickell313@yahoo.com

To register and pay online
go to www.cbanm.org

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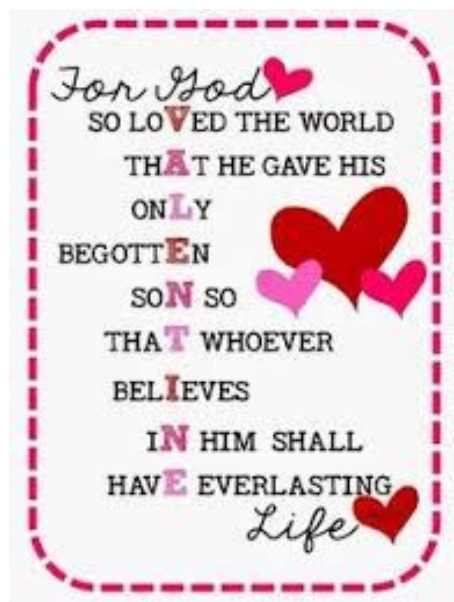
Central Baptist Association Pastorless Churches

El Buen Pastor
610 N. Fourth St.
Gallup, NM 87301

Hoffmantown Church
8888 Harper Rd. NE
Albuquerque, NM 87111

Lindrith Baptist Church
PO Box 35
Lindrith, NM 87029

Del Norte Baptist Church
5800 Montgomery NE
Albuquerque, NM 87109



Please be praying for these churches as they seek God's will for the person to lead their congregation.

2019 CBA Budget

Monthly needs:	\$15,000.00
Monthly income:	\$28,608.83
Monthly expenses:	\$19,263.53

The Central Baptist Association is a network of Southern Baptist Churches in Central New Mexico. The geographical area of the Association encompasses about 43% of the states' population centered around the Albuquerque metropolitan area including Bernalillo, Rio Rancho, Bosque Farms, Los Lunas, Belen, Cuba, Jemez Pueblo, Mountainair, Edgewood, Sandia Park, Tijeras, Cedar Crest, Moriarty, Estancia and Vaughn. We have recently added churches from Santa Fe and Gallup.

Partner Churches Serving Christ together for HIS Glory



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