

Fall is in the air, and that means State Meeting season in Texas, Arkansas, and Louisiana. The Texas meeting will be held in San Antonio and will feature a workshop on Tuesday, November 14 at 1:30. ABATech designed both a printed flier and a social media ad for the event (right). Please be in prayer for this event as it deals with the subject of recapturing people in their 20s and 30s who are absent in so many of our churches.



Recapturing Generation Lost!

Workshop: Tuesday, November 14 at 1:30

Location: Embassy Suites by Hilton San Antonio Brooks Hotel & Spa
Workshop during the 2023 MBA of Texas State Messenger Meeting • November 14-15, 2023

For decades, it has been said, "We are only one generation away from God's work ceasing." Today, the attendance and involvement of those in their 20s and 30s continues to dwindle. Since this reality is here, there are some big questions that need to be answered. 1.) Do we care? 2.) How did we get here? 3.) What can we do to get them back? 4.) How do we keep this from happening again? This interactive workshop will offer insights and suggestions on where we go from here.



Presenter: Robert Wallace,
CFO/Vice President of
Advancement, Texas Baptist
Institute & Seminary



Co-Presenter: Craig Duncan,
Pastor of Calvary Baptist,
Henderson, TX

The Workshop is sponsored by Faith MBC of Round Rock, TX (Tommy Estes, Pastor).



Another graphic design project recently completed was the logo to the left for Landmark MBC of Athens, Texas. It is always a

challenge when a church with a name as common as Landmark asks for a unique logo. We went with a drawing of the church building, and matched the color of their existing sign for the font color.

I recently completed my service as interim pastor at the second oldest Baptist church in Texas. Bethel celebrated their 180th anniversary on Sunday, September 24. I was supposed to officiate that service as my last act as their interim pastor, but I woke up with COVID. A couple of days later, Amanda, Caleb, and Kaylee, all had it as well, but I am happy to report that we are all doing much better.

We were very blessed to be able to return to Hyde Park for their annual Faith Promise Missions Conference. I look forward to this event in particular every year, but we enjoy any opportunity we have to visit this wonderful church. This year's guest missionaries were Bro. Jason Hebert (Lafayette, Louisiana), Bro. Kevin Amburgey (Ashland, Missouri), and Bro. Justin Coburn (ABA Sec/Treas of Missions). We certainly enjoyed a wonderful time of fellowship with these men and their families, along with Bro. Trey Emory (pastor) and the other Hyde Park members. Then it was back to Louisiana again to present the ABATech ministry and preach at Greenacres Baptist Church in Bossier City. Thank you Bro. Monroe Mercer for this invitation.

One very fun and exciting thing that happened is that I was invited by country music artist T. Graham Brown to sign Beulah Land with him on stage at the Pines Theater in Lufkin, Texas. I met him before the show and told him that back in 2016, while I was attending the Cumberland River Association meeting at Langdon Street Baptist Church in Somerset, Kentucky, my wife met him at a Taco Bell. She told him that I was a fan of his music but couldn't come meet him because I was in a "preacher meeting." He replied, "You tell your husband that if



he's a preacher, I'm HIS fan." I shared that story with him 7 years later, and he asked me to sing Beulah Land with him during the show that night. Many people in the audience commented to me after the show how the song touched them, and shared stories of the song being played at a loved one's funeral, etc. You never know how or when or where the Lord may use you!