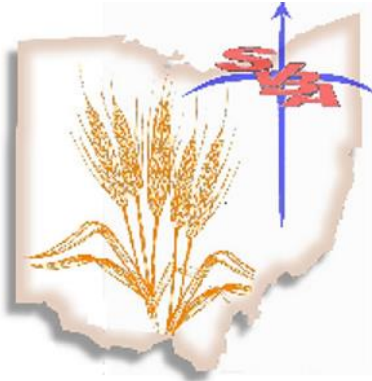


The Communicator



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Upcoming Events

Administrative Team Meetings

February 10th – 10am – Assoc. Office

March 9th – 10am- Assoc. Office

April 18th – 5pm – Semi-annual mtg

Missions and Ministry Team Meeting

April 5th – 6pm – Associational Office

Church Strengthening Team

February 26th – Panera Bread – Elm RD.

Timothy Initiative will resume, Saturday, January 30th. Join us for exciting Bible Study!

Next Executive Board Meeting – April 18th – Semi-Annual Meeting – Place To Be Announced

Mississippi Revival Partnership – April 24-27th – Pray for our 8 evangelists traveling to MS.

Strategic Evangelism Conference – March 12, 2016 – Duane Floro, Ministry Evangelism

Mission Groups for Your Church

If you are interested in beginning Mission Groups in your church for your children or youth, please contact **Jim Godney (330-565-0634)**. If Jim does not answer, please leave a message. Jim has information concerning RA's, Girls in Action, and Youth mission groups.

Central Baptist Church has a fellowship-hall type **table** that they would like to give away. Please call 330-219-2092 for more information or contact Pastor Tim Cain 330-974-7934.

The Administrative Team is compiling a **Local Business Directory** to share with our Associational Churches. Wanting to encourage business with businesses within our churches or businesses that you would like to support. If you would like to submit a business for the directory please email or call Brother George: 330-398-8048 (pastorbannister@live.com), Pastor Tim Cain: 330-974-7934 (tcain2@juno.com), or Lisa: 330-219-2092 (lbannister@hotmail.com).

From Dave Warton (SCBO): Tax Seminar Overview

Each year, the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio presents seminars on tax issues, internal controls, and legal issues for churches. The seminars are designed specifically for churches and staff, and they are conducted in various associations and at the State Office building each year. For more information, contact SCBO at 614.827.1840 (This phone number will soon transition to: (614) 601-6840)

The Basic Tax Seminar for churches presents instruction on tax laws that impact churches, ministers, and lay employees. Items covered include payroll tax reports, housing allowance, professional expenses, charitable contributions, and more. Of particular interest to churches in 2016 are discussions that address: (a) How churches are handling health insurance benefits for their pastor, and whether those benefits should be considered a pre-or-post tax benefit, and (b) Is there a possibility that some pastors may be allowed a temporary exemption on prior years municipal income tax obligations? Additionally, the seminar presents instruction on the proper procedures for handling receipts, expenditures, and recordkeeping. The seminar also covers basic legal issues for churches.

Seminar Dates & Locations

(Seminars last about 2 hours)

January 19, 2016	State Convention of Baptists in Ohio	10:00 a.m.
	9000 Antares Ave, Columbus, OH 43240	
January 20, 2016	Trinity Christian Church	9:30 a.m.
	(Cleveland Hope Association)	
	5323 Bartlett Rd. Bedford Hts., OH 44146-1514	
January 23, 2016	Northside Baptist Church, Millersburg	9:30 a.m.
	(Buckeye Central – Erie Association)	
	1207 Wooster Rd, Millersburg, OH 44654	
January 29, 2016	McKelvey Road Baptist Church	6:30 p.m.
	(Ohio Valley Association)	
	9865 McKelvey Rd. Cincinnati, OH 45231	
February 9, 2016	Summit Baptist Association Office	9:00 a.m.
	2876 S. Arlington Road, Akron, OH 44312	
February 11, 2016	Greater Dayton Association of Baptist Office	10:00 a.m.
	2050 Brandt Pike, Dayton, OH 45404	

Reach People! – Make Disciples! Go into all the world and make Disciples! (Matthew 28:19)