

**The Baptist Association**  
**Live with Urgency:**  
**Sowing Together**

For Harvest



**A** plentiful and fruitful harvest comes only after the seeds have been sown. In this new century of existence, the local Baptist Association stands ready to assist your church and its members with resources, training and strategies to sow the Good News of Jesus Christ. Live with Urgency. Sow now for the harvest to come.

**Catalina Baptist Association**  
**VBS Clinic**



Saturday, April 18, 2009

Manor Baptist Church  
433 W. Lerdo Rd

For information and registration,  
call Rachel 294-5046

*Register by April 3*

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What do you worry about? Jobs? Relationships? Money? Bills? Future? Health? Family? Maybe it's a combination of a most of these!

Worry is something most of us know how to do. I suspect that when we worry we are primarily thinking about our need to "fix" something and then realizing we are completely inadequate to do so. There are some things that you just can't fix.

There have been nights I have lain in bed and imagined. Sometimes I relived the past (*accompanied by some worry*). I thought about a conversation or a meeting that took place and worried about the implications of it. At other times I have worried about the future. What is going to happen? Where will we live one day? What will we do?

I read again just the other day the familiar Scripture in Matthew 6:25-27. *Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?* (NIV)

Several thoughts I think we can apply to our lives:

(1) **God invites us to trust in Him regardless.** We are called to live in a daily dependence upon the Lord. Which means....

(2) **God invites us to live in daily dependence even in the midst of a struggling economy.** This is an oppor-

tunity for so many of us to learn a new kind of dependence on God.

(3) **God invites us to bring our anxiety before in him in the context of faith.** This is not a call to some sort of indifference to what is happening in our world, economy, culture, etc. The key to dealing with anxiety and worry is not indifference but faith in God. This allows us to stare reality in the face and deal with it.

Perhaps those of us are leaders in our churches would do well to follow Hezekiah's example in 2 Kings 19:14ff when he face an impossible situation with Sennacherib, king of Assyria. He prayed, *"...Now, O Lord our God, deliver us from his hand, so that all kingdoms on earth may know that you alone, O Lord, are God."* (19:19 NIV). Some things just can't be fixed and simply need to be given over to God

The good news is that you cannot fix so many things that are broken in your life or ministry. Yet, we are not called to be a people who have a fix for whatever might be broken. Rather, we are a people who hand it over to God.

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I look forward to what God will be doing in our churches as we gather to celebrate Easter! I know many of our churches are planning special events that will draw many to worship and fellowship with them. Let each of us pray that many will come to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior this Easter season.

John Guillott  
Director of Evangelism and Missions

- **Please welcome** Jim and Lydia Orchard to Green Valley Baptist Church. Jim will be serving as their Associate Pastor of Education.

Events

- Save the date—**Minister & Spouse Retreat**—July 23-25, Tubac Golf Resort. Watch for information by mail.
- **Pastor's Breakfast:** first Tuesday of each month, 8:00am at First Southern Baptist Church
- **Hispanic Pastor's Breakfast**—second Tuesday of each month, 9:00am at the Association office.
- **Association VBS Clinic**—April 18, Manor Baptist Church, 433 W. Lerdo Rd. For information and registration call Rachel 294-5046
- **Women's Conference**—May 2., 8AM-4PM, East Tucson Baptist Church. Mirror, Mirror, On the Wall (Being rescued by the Right Prince) Keynote speaker: Jane Bishop, NAMB. Register by April 24, 917-4233.

Please check our online calendar for updates and additions:  
[www.catalinaassociation.org/events](http://www.catalinaassociation.org/events)

Please Pray

- For our pastorless churches: First Southern Baptist Church, Corona de Tucson Baptist Church.
- For all the pastors, churches and staff in the Association.
- For support and growth of new church plants.

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Budget Requirements for 2009

Annual Budget	\$161,326
Monthly Requirement	\$13,444
Income February	\$11,527
Over (under) for month	(\$1,917)
Income to date February	\$25,759
Over (under) for 2009	(\$1129)