

Great Banquet

Great Newsletter!



From the chairman:

Welcome to the Mid-South Great Banquet. Great things are happening, and we have a full year of events planned. Please check out this newsletter and our website (midsouthgb.com) for upcoming activities in 2013. There are many ways you can help serve the Great Banquet guests and community. The website lists ways you can give back the love you received during your weekend. The board and I hope to see you soon at a gathering, 4th day, or weekend.

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Robert Rooks

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Please feel free to contact any of the board members with any questions or concerns you have concerning the Mid-South Great Banquet or the Awakening.

What's coming up?

The Gathering – Saturday, March 23, 6 to 8 pm., Faith Baptist Church,
Address: 900 Simmons Rd, Drummonds, TN 38023.

Come enjoy a great time of fellowship, food and worship. Dinner will be potluck, so it's time to get out those favorite recipes! We'll meet at 6 pm. for dinner, followed by entertainment and worship in the sanctuary. Childcare will be available!

Fund Raiser- Monday, March 25, 11AM-11PM, Chili's – Millington,
8526 Hwy 51, Millington, TN 38053

It doesn't get any easier than this! Simply go to the Millington Chili's the day of the fund raiser, and when you order your food 10% of your order will go to the Mid-South Great Banquet when you hand your server the flyer that is attached to this newsletter.

Dedication/Potluck for the Spring Weekends – Thursday, April 18, 6 to 8 pm., Faith Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 3427 Appling Rd, Memphis, TN 38133.

Come join us in food, fellowship, and worship, as well as in prayer for the teams and the upcoming weekends.

Men's Fall Great Banquet Weekend #66 – Thursday, April 25 - Sunday, April 28, Pinecrest Conference and Retreat Center, 21430 Hwy 57, Moscow, TN 38057. Lay Director – Peyton Burnett

Women's Fall Great Banquet Weekend #67 – Thursday, May 2 – Sunday, May 5, Pinecrest Conference and Retreat Center, 21430 Hwy 57, Moscow, TN 38057. Lay Director – Cathy Bendall

4th Day Event – Saturday, May 11, 6-8 PM, Advent Presbyterian Church, 1879 N Germantown Pkwy, Cordova, TN 38016.

Come welcome our newest members into the Great Banquet community!

Great Way to Make a Difference in Someone's Life...

Do you know someone who might be ready for a three-day weekend of focusing on God and their relationship with Him? Sponsoring a guest is one of the greatest things you can do for somebody!

After you've invited someone and they accept the invitation, sponsors play an important role in the guest's weekend. They collect the guest's letters, attend Sponsor's Hour and pray over the crosses, provide transportation for the guests to and from the weekend, attend the closing ceremony, and assist the guest's family with any needs that may arise while the guest is away.

Please keep in mind that ten guests are needed by the third team meeting

(February 28) in order for each weekend event to be held. A complete registration includes: \$50 deposit, the guest's registration form, and a complete sponsor's form. The remaining fee of \$75 is due at the weekend's registration.

Great Ways to Demonstrate the Love of Christ...

Be His Unseen Hands and Feet – The Great Banquet is an amazing experience, and we all want others to have that same type of unique encounter with God that we did. Since there are SOOOO many ways to be involved, the challenge is deciding the right fit for you.

Since the teams are made up of around 30 people, not everyone can be on a team. Plus, teams are a mixture of folks who just went through, those who have served on a few teams, and people who have served on many teams. And as much as we'd like, we all can't serve on all the teams!

So, begin now prayerfully considering how you can be an unseen servant and help someone experience Christ's unconditional love. Opportunities to serve include: serving and/or decorating for meals, being a part of the prayer vigil, assisting the agape team, writing letters, making gifts of agape, providing snacks, and attending community events , and making banners . Keep in mind that Christ's love is best demonstrated by as many people as possible having an opportunity to give of themselves.

To sign up for the prayer vigil, go to:

<http://www.3dayol.org/Vigil/GetComm.phtml>

Other sign up sheets will be available via the Facebook page, the website and at the Gathering in March.

Special Note from the Board....

If you or someone you know, who is a member of the Mid-South Great Banquet has recently changed e-mail address, physical address, or phone numbers please contact Jerry Covington and let him know so that he can update the database.



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