

GREAT BANQUET Newsletter!



February, 2015

REFLECTIONS FROM ROY

Walk Thru the Bible uses the analogy of trying to put the pieces of a jigsaw puzzle together without having seen the “big picture.” Seeing the “big picture” is important in more areas than just in understanding the story line of the Old Testament. We have seen corporations fold because they could not see the big picture and they ended up focusing upon trivialities. We have seen churches fail because they were so focused inward that they thought it was all about them and because of that they ended up closing their doors.

We are grateful for the twenty plus years this ministry has been in West Tennessee now and those who began it. Thanks to all who helped us celebrate recently at Advent Presbyterian Church.

We have for several years in the Mid-South Great Banquet been trying to focus upon the “big picture.” We know that this ministry is God’s ministry and that it is all about Him and it is not to be all about us. Seeing the “big picture” requires that one be very intentional in the way things are done and decisions that are made that will affect the long term. We, the board of the Mid-South Great Banquet, are trying to be very intentional and look at the long term outcome of decisions regarding the future of the banquet. Please continue to pray for this ministry as we seek to do those things that focus on Him and not on us.

Roy Whaley – Spiritual Director

The Next Men and Women’s Weekends!

Men's Spring Great Banquet Weekend #74 - Thursday, April 23 - Sunday, April 26, Pinecrest Conference and Retreat Center, 21430 Hwy 57, Moscow, TN 38057. Lay Director – Chris Cave

Women's Spring Great Banquet Weekend #75 - Thursday, April 30 - Sunday, May 3, Pinecrest Conference and Retreat Center, 21430 Hwy 57, Moscow, TN 38057. Lay Director – Becky Bunker

4th Day Event - Saturday, May 9, 6-8 PM, Faith Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 3427 Appling Road, Memphis, TN 38133

The teams have started meeting, please begin praying for this group of leaders. A list of team members will be posted at on the Mid-South Great Banquet website, www.midsouthgb.com. **The time is now** to invite someone to be your guest for these upcoming weekends. Submit your guest registration form along with a \$50 deposit and your sponsor form to reserve a place for your guest. The remaining \$75 is due at the weekend's registration. All forms can be downloaded or filled out online. Payments can also be made through the site through a PayPal.

Make sign up you sign up now for the **72 hour prayer vigil**, the chart which can be found @ <http://midsouthgb.com>.

Begin planning your pillow agape, snacks, serving a meal, or helping in general during the weekend. The weekends will be here before you know it so mark your calendars!!

Gatherings Dates for 2015

February 22 – 1st Cumberland Presbyterian – Olive Branch

8161 Germantown Road, Olive Branch, MS.

6:00 pm – Potluck Dinner followed by fellowship & worship.

Childcare will be provided.

May 30, 2015 August 15, 2015 November 14, 2015

Locations to be announced

Tips and Hints for our New Members

Keep in mind that Gatherings aren't just for the community. It's a great place to bring friends or family that might go through a future weekend. This gives them a great opportunity to meet members of the community who could be serving on their future weekend. Bring the family and a pot luck dish along with a 2 liter soda if that's what you prefer to drink and enjoy the company, good food and wonderful worship and singing after the meal. Childcare is provided. Gatherings are held 4 times throughout the year at various churches from 6p-8p.

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