

2009

# Youth Speakers Tournament

(Grades 10-12)

## Leader's Guide



Youth Speakers Tournament is a ministry of the Tennessee Baptist Convention and funded by the faithful giving of Tennessee Baptist Churches to the Cooperative Program gifts.

Youth Speakers Tournament

The Youth Speakers Tournament is for youth in Grades 10-12 and is designed to encourage youth to grow toward Christian maturity.

Youth Speakers Tournament:

- Encourages growth toward Christlikeness
- Challenges youth to seriously think about their commitment to Christ
- Helps teenagers express their faith verbally
- Stimulates spiritual growth as teenagers engage in research, study, prayer, preparation and practice of speech
- Helps youth develop poise and confidence
- Helps teenagers develop the skills to articulate truth in a way that people will hear and understand
- Helps youth be ready to stand for Christ in their churches, at school, in their work places, and in their communities

Speakers in the tournament are judged on content, composition and delivery of their speeches. This Leader's Guide will help you guide youth as they prepare their speeches.

## A Suggested Month-by-Month timeline and outline

October:

**Adult Enlistment**

- Enlist the support of your pastor and youth minister. Consider requesting a small budget to cover expenses for materials and speaker recognition.
- Note the dates for the associational, regional and state tournaments. Set a date for the church tournament (at least one week before associational date). Include all dates on the church calendar. (For association date, call your local Baptist association office). For regional date, see page 18.
- Your Regional Youth Bible Drill and Speakers Tournament Coordinator can be a valuable resource person. (See attached listing-page 18)
- There is only one way to obtain the official speech titles/subjects. Download the 2009 titles at [www.tnyouthministry.com](http://www.tnyouthministry.com); click on the Youth Speakers Tournament link and select the appropriate file.
- You may also obtain the Leader's guide online. Download copies at [www.tnyouthministry.com](http://www.tnyouthministry.com); click on the Youth Speakers Tournament link and select 2009 Speaker's Tournament Leader's Guide.

★ ★ **NEW:** Obtain a copy of the *SPEAKER POWER* cd-rom available FREE from the Youth Ministry office of the Tennessee Baptist Convention (800.558.2090 ext. 7906). One FREE copy will be provided to each church. Speaker Tournament Leaders have permission to make multiple copies for their students and print out the materials as needed. The *SPEAKER POWER* cd-rom is a tool provided to help students in preparing their speech for competition. Churches can duplicate as many copies of the cd-rom as they need for the students preparing for the Youth Speakers Tournament.

November/December:

## Student Enlistment

- Plan a promotional emphasis to encourage youth to participate in Youth Speakers Tournament.
- Designate a time when all youth will be present for learning about Youth Speakers Tournament and its purpose.
- Call other churches in your area. Ask for the names of youth who have participated in Speakers Tournament. Invite area youth to speak to your group. Save time for questions and answers.
- Enlist youth. Provide each with:
  - a. Annual titles/subjects for that particular year (available at [www.tnyouthministry.com](http://www.tnyouthministry.com), click on Youth Speakers Tournament
  - b. Provide a copy of the *SPEAKER POWER* cd-rom (available FREE from Youth Ministry Office, Tennessee Baptist Convention- 800.558.2090 ext. 7906).

## January/February:

### Research and Preparation of Written Speech

- Youth will be preparing their speeches during this time. Support and encourage them.

## March:

### Practice Speech and enlist/train judges

- Work with youth ministers in the association to schedule opportunities to feature youth who are preparing for the tournament.
- Provide opportunities for youth to speak before different groups in the church. Adult Sunday School and Discipleship Training classes, & WMU groups are good options and they can be encouragement to speakers.
- Work with your church youth minister /director to find a time when the youth in Speakers Tournament can present their speeches to the youth in their own church (Sunday School, Sunday night youth meeting, Wednesday night youth meeting, etc)
- Enlist a judge chairman, 3 speaker tournament judges, a timekeeper and a prompter. If possible, enlist the 3 scoring judges from outside your church membership. Avoid enlisting parents of speakers.
- Work with your local Speaker Tournament coordinator to schedule a training session for all of your judges. (see page 18)

## April:

- Speakers participate in Church Speakers Tournament- schedule this prior to the association Speakers Tournament. This should be a demonstration tournament and give positive, helpful feedback to the students.
- Speakers participate in Association Speakers Tournament- contact your local association office early so that they know your church will have speakers participating and they can plan for a tournament.

- Speakers participate in Regional Speakers Tournament- contact your Regional Coordinator. For coordinator and date/location of the Regional Tournament see page 18

May:

- Regional Speakers Tournament winner participates in 2009 State Speakers Tournament- Saturday, May 2, Baptist Center, Tennessee Baptist Convention, Brentwood, TN.

## Judging Team, Time Keeper, Prompter

Judge Chairman (1 adult over age of 18):

- The judge chairman does not score the speakers.
- The judge chairman records any special circumstances (e.g. baby crying, train, door slamming, etc) while the speech is being delivered, including prompting.
- The judge chairman requests that all those in audience silence their cell phones and places everything off of their laps.
- The judge chairman introduces each speaker and makes sure the proper microphone adjustments are made.
- The judge chairman gives ample time between each speaker so that the scoring judges can make their notes about the speech just given before introducing the next speaker.
- The judge chairman receives from the timekeeper the recorded times for each speaker.
- The judge chairman exits with the judges to the judge's room.
- The judge chairman informs the scoring judges of any notes they made during the speeches.
- The judge chairman takes a copy of each speaker's speech to the judging room.
- The judge chairman tallies the final scores and records the scores of the speakers and is responsible for fielding all questions regarding the tournament or a particular speaker or speech.
- The judge chairman announces the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners of the tournament.

Scoring Judges (3 adults over the age of 18):

- 3 adults need to be enlisted to serve as scoring judges.
- It is best that none of the judges be parents of speakers participating.
- Provide each judge with the following:
  - Score sheets (one sheet per 5 speakers).
  - NOTE: A score sheet which can be copied is available online at [www.tnyouthministry.com](http://www.tnyouthministry.com), click on Youth Speakers Tournament
  - Pencils
  - Folder to keep score sheets in.

- It is suggested that scoring judges seat themselves among the audience rather than in front of speakers at a table which can be intimidating to the students giving a speech.

### Enlist a timekeeper (1 adult over age 18):

- The timekeeper will record the time of each speech on a score sheet beside the speech title & the speaker's name.
- The timekeeper needs a stopwatch or timer to accurately call time.

Note: Speeches **must** be no less than 4 minutes and no more than 6 minutes in length.

### Enlist a prompter (1 adult over age 18):

- Each speaker must provide for the prompter a typed, double-spaced manuscript of their speech.
- The prompter should only assist the speaker if the speaker looks frantic or appears to have forgotten their place in their speech

### Enlist a sound person

Enlist someone who knows the sound system and microphone so that they can handle any problems.

- Speakers can choose to use a microphone or not.
- Speakers can hold the microphone in their hand or use it on a stand.
- Speakers must be able to be heard especially by the judges.

## Getting Ready for Your Speakers Tournament

### Conduct a training session

Before your church and association Speakers Tournament you will want to conduct a training session for all judges and others who will assist with the Speakers Tournament. During this training session, review the following:

- the score sheet
- criteria for judging
- specific duties of judges, timekeeper, and prompter

Contact your regional coordinator (see page 18) for assistance in training.

## Before the Speakers Tournament

- Secure a room where the judges can go tally scores. (be sure to provide several calculators)
- Only the Judge Chairman and the scoring judges are allowed in the judge's scoring room

Gather items for the tournament:

1. Numbered cards (with straight pins) for speaker identification (index cards work well)
2. Pencils
3. Score sheets (available online at [www.tnyouthministry.com](http://www.tnyouthministry.com))
4. Calculators
5. Stopwatch or timer
6. Items of recognition

Make sure all participants in the Church/Association Speakers Tournament know the proper dress requirement:

**GIRLS-** Sunday dress, skirt/blouse, nice slacks and tops

**BOYS-** slacks, shirt/tie; sport coats/suits optional

**NO JEANS, T-SHIRTS, SHORTS or casual dress**

# A Suggested Agenda for Conducting a Church or Associational Youth Speakers Tournament

## Before the Tournament Begins

- Meet with the speakers.
- Collect typed manuscripts for the prompter.
- Allow speakers to draw numbers or any method you choose appropriate to determine the order of speaking.
- Pin a numbered card on each speaker. Refer to the speakers by their numbers, not by name.
- Instruct the speakers where to sit.
- Inform the speakers of the necessary interlude and pause between speakers so judges can properly score and make notes. Wait until the Judge Chairman calls you up to the platform.
- Lead in prayer for the speakers. Pray for clarity of mind and ability to communicate the message God has given them.
- Remind speakers that the decision of the judges is final.

## The Tournament

- Welcome.
- Begin the tournament with prayer for speakers, judges, and the audience, that all may feel the assurance of God's presence and be open to God's leadership throughout the tournament.
- Explain the rules briefly. Remind the audience of the subjective nature of judging Speakers Tournament. All speakers are winners! The decision of the judges is final!
- Remind audience to turn off all cell phones, beepers or anything that will make noise.
- Ask for **no** flash photography.
- After the last speech, the judge chairman will dismiss the judges. Before joining the judges, the judge chairman should introduce the speakers, their parents, and adult sponsors/leaders and give the audience an opportunity to express their appreciation to all involved.
- Call for the judges' decisions to announce the second and first place winners. Emphasize that all participants are winners.
- Announce dates and location for the associational and regional Speakers Tournaments and encourage support of the church winner.

## Criteria for Judging

Participants will be scored on the score sheet as follows in each category:

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| 2= poor<br>4= fair<br>6= average<br>8= good<br>10= excellent |
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Speakers will be subjectively judged on the basis of 100 points.

Content/composition counts 50 percent and delivery counts another 50 percent.

Each category on the score sheet will receive a numbered score from each judge, **one** being the lowest score and **ten** being the highest score.

Scores will be tallied so as to arrive at a first and second place winner.

### Judging Content/Composition (50%)

1. Originality/Related to Subject:

Does the speech deal with the subject? Does the speech seem to reflect the participant's own convictions? Does the speech give evidence of original and creative thinking by the participant?

2. Organization/Logical Sequence:

Is the content arranged in such a way that the audience has no difficulty in following the speech? Is the speech designed to develop the content in an orderly way?

3. Structure/Grammar:

Does the participant use complete sentences and are the sentences grammatically correct?

4. Choice of Resources and Credit for Quotations:

Are a variety of good sources used? When using resources, do they reflect an adequate understanding of the various facets of the subject? Are resources used in ways that add strength to the content of the speech? Does the delivered speech indicate that the material used is being quoted?

5. Purpose Accomplished:

Does the speech do what it is intended to do as evidenced by the subject and content?

### Judging Delivery (50%)

1. Delivery:

Does the speaker require prompting?

2. Articulate/Expressive Communication:

Does the speaker speak in a clear, conversational manner? Does the speaker speak with directness and sincerity? Is the speech convincing, interesting, and understandable?

3. Poise/Posture/Confidence:

Does the speaker appear to be composed and at ease? Does the speaker appear to believe in himself and his message? Does he/she speak with passion?

4. Personal Appearance:

Is the speaker well groomed? Is clothing appropriate and in good taste?

5. Within Time Allotment:

Does the speaker stay within the four-to-six minute time allotment? Participants will be penalized 2 points for every 10 seconds that a speech is over or under the four-to-six minute time allotment.

## Speakers Tournament Rules and Guidelines

1. Speakers will prepare a 4-to-6 minute speech on a topic chosen from the approved 2009 titles provided found on the website [www.tnyouthministry.com](http://www.tnyouthministry.com) , click on Youth Speakers Tournament. Speeches must be the work of the individual speaker. Plagiarism or having the speech or any major portion of it written by someone other than the speaker is grounds for disqualification. The purpose of the speech should be to inform, inspire, persuade, or create concern.
2. Speakers Tournament focuses on the speaking ability of students. It is appropriate to quote part of a song, poem, or play, but not to perform these. Speakers should strive to be creative in their speeches, using tools such as stories, vocal variation, clever phrasing, and personal experiences. It is definitely appropriate and suggested that you use scripture in your speech and always give the reference.
3. Gestures and movement on stage are appropriate if they support the purpose of the speech. Movement that is distracting or overly dramatic should be avoided. Remember that the scoring judges are scoring the student on the total presentation.
4. Speakers are encouraged to use a variety of sources for their research. Brief quotations are appropriate with the author and location of the quotations cited in the speech. Information (quoted or not quoted) gleaned from any source should be footnoted (endnotes or parenthetical references are acceptable) in the final manuscript. A bibliography for all consulted resources is optional.
5. Good taste should be used in clothing. Nice "Sunday" dress is preferred for all Speakers Tournaments. Girls should wear a nice "Sunday" dress or skirt and blouse; boys should

wear a shirt/tie with the option of adding a suit coat or blazer. Costuming for the speech is not appropriate.

6. A typed double-spaced manuscript of the speech is to be presented to the judge chairman as you register for the tournament. Speakers will not be judged on their ability to recite their speech word for word. The purpose of the manuscript is to provide an accurate script for the prompter. The manuscript should be a complete transcript of the speech, not just an outline.
7. Use of a microphone is acceptable; however, use of a pulpit, notes, props, charts, or diagrams is not. A speaker may stand directly behind the microphone or use a hand-held microphone or a lavalier mike if they choose. They may use no microphone, but the speaker must know that they have to project so as all the judges will be able to hear.

## Church, Associational, Regional, At-Large & State Speakers Tournaments Awards

### Church Speakers Tournament

Set a goal of more than one speaker in each church tournament. All church speakers can participate and advance to the Association Tournament. The Church Speakers Tournament should only be a demonstration, but speakers should be critiqued and evaluated, as this helps the speaker in their preparation for the Associational Tournament. Churches should provide their own special recognition/award of speakers in the Church Tournament.

### Association Speakers Tournament

As soon as possible, contact your local Baptist association for the date of your association Speakers Tournament. All speakers who participate in a church Speakers Tournament may participate in the Association Tournament.

### Advancement to the regional from the Association:

- The first place and second place speaker winners from the association **automatically** advance to the regional.
- All Association Speakers Tournament participants receive a special certificate recognizing their participation in the Association Speakers Tournament.

- All Speakers Tournament Winners (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place association winners) advancing to the Regional receive a special "Associational Winner" ribbon. (For associational certificates & ribbons, contact your association office. These are provided FREE to each association from the Youth Ministry office of the Tennessee Baptist Convention-800.558.2090 ext. 7906).

## Regional Speakers Tournament

See the attached regional list (page 18) for the date of your Regional Speakers Tournament.

- Only **one** speaker from each region can advance to the state tournament.
- All regional participants receive a special certificate recognizing their participation in the Regional Speakers Tournament.
- The regional first place winner will be presented a Winner plaque recognizing their accomplishment.
- The regional second place winner will also be awarded a small plaque recognizing their accomplishment.

The Judge Chairman will also announce the 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner (runner-up) who can represent the region at the State Tournament if the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner is unable to do so.

The Regional Speakers Tournament winner will receive mileage reimbursement in order to participate in the State Tournament which will be held Saturday, May 2, 2009 at the Baptist Center in Brentwood, TN.

## Regional Tournament Awards- Awarded at the Regional Speakers Tournament

The following awards will be presented at the Regional Speakers Tournament Participants. A youth could receive multiple trophies based on their years of participation, etc as follows:

- **Regional Speaker Medal of Achievement**  
Awarded to all youth who participate in the Regional Speakers Tournament.
- **3-Year Trophy:**  
For youth who have **participated** in Youth Speakers Tournament for 3 years (10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> grades)
- **6-Year Trophy:**  
For youth who have **participated** in Youth Bible Drill for 3 years (7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> grade) and **participated** in Youth Speakers Tournament for 3 years (10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

- 9 Year Trophy  
For youth who have participated in Children's Bible Drill for 3 years (4<sup>th</sup>,5<sup>th</sup>,6<sup>th</sup> grade), participated in Youth Bible Drill for 3 years (7<sup>th</sup>,8<sup>th</sup>,9<sup>th</sup> grade), and participated in Youth Speakers Tournament for 3 years (10<sup>th</sup>,11<sup>th</sup>,12<sup>th</sup> grade).
- 9 Year "Exceptional" Trophy  
For youth who have participated in Children's Bible Drill for 3 years (4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>,6<sup>th</sup> grade), participated in Youth Bible Drill for 3 years (7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> grade), and participated in Youth Speakers Tournament for 3 years (10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> grades) AND also participated in xtreme Bible Challenge for 3 years (10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> grades).

### State Speakers Tournament

The State Speakers Tournament will consist of one speaker from each of the state's regions, plus the At-Large Speakers Tournament winner.

State Speakers Tournament  
Saturday afternoon, May 2, 2009  
Baptist Center, Brentwood, TN

- All speakers in the state tournament receive a special certificate recognizing their accomplishment.
- All Regional and At-Large State Speaker participants receive a scholarship certificate provided by our Tennessee Baptist College/Universities (Union University and Carson-Newman College). The specific amount is determined by the individual financial aid office of these institutions.
- The first place speaker winner of the State Tournament receives an additional scholarship certificate redeemable at one of our Tennessee Baptist College/Universities (Union University and Carson-Newman College). The specific amount is determined by the individual financial aid office of these institutions.
- The first and second place State Speakers Tournament Winners are also invited to be featured speakers at the following year's Tennessee Baptist Youth Evangelism Conference usually held in March of the next year.

#### Former State Speaker Winner

Former state Youth Speakers Tournament winners desiring to complete their participation and receive their three year, six year, or nine year trophy may participate in an Association or Regional Tournament, but are not eligible to be named the Regional winner again. A student can only be the State winner once. However, the student could choose to participate in xtreme Bible Challenge and become the State winner in that program.

## At-Large Speakers Tournament

The At-large Speakers Tournament is for Association Speakers Tournament winners who for various reasons **CAN NOT** participate in their own Regional Tournament on the date that it is planned. To qualify for the At-Large Tournament, the Regional Coordinator (see attached list-page 18) must receive written notification at least 2 days before the Regional Speakers Tournament. The speaker will be allowed to participate in the At-Large Event at the discretion of the Regional Coordinator. Family emergencies, illness, or even some school related activities can be approved as reasons NOT to be at the Regional Speakers Tournament. The Regional Coordinator will notify the state youth ministry office of those participating in the At-Large Tournament from their region.

At-Large speakers come to the At-Large Tournament at their own expense.

The winner of the At-Large Tournament advances to the State Speakers Tournament conducted that afternoon.

The winner of the At-Large Speakers Tournament will be reimbursed for their mileage expenses to the state event.

The At-Large speaker winner receives the same awards and recognitions as other regional participants.

### AT-LARGE SPEAKERS TOURNAMENT Saturday morning, May 2, 2009 Chapel- Baptist Center – Brentwood, TN

For further information about Youth Speakers Tournament in Tennessee, contact:

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Local - 615.371.2094 or toll-free 1.800.558.2090 ext. 2094  
Email: [bedwards@tnbaptist.org](mailto:bedwards@tnbaptist.org)

or

Heather Palmer, Youth Ministry Assistant  
Local- 615.371.7906 or toll-free 1.800.558.2090 ext. 7906  
Email: [hpalmer@tnbaptist.org](mailto:hpalmer@tnbaptist.org)

## Helps for PREPARING YOUR SPEECH



### Speaker Power



Be sure you have ordered your copy of SPEAKER POWER from the Youth Ministry Office of the Tennessee Baptist Convention. This FREE resource is available in cd-rom format to help students in preparing their speech. One copy is available FREE to each requesting church. The leader can duplicate the cd-rom and distribute to their students in Speaker Tournament or they can duplicate and make printed copies of the book SPEAKER POWER. Call 1-800-558-7906 or email [hpalmer@tnbaptist.org](mailto:hpalmer@tnbaptist.org) to receive SPEAKER POWER.

The following is additional information that may help students in their speech preparation along with SPEAKER POWER.

#### Title:

Be sure you have the correct, current year's listing of approved titles from the Tennessee Baptist Convention; download the list from the website: [www.tnyouthministry.com](http://www.tnyouthministry.com). Choose a title from the list. Think about possible subjects. Consider the audience. Will they be interested? What will they know about the subject? What will be their attitude toward the subject?

#### Objective:

Determine your aim or objective. Consider whether you want your speech to inform, persuade, create interest, or create concern. Write a clear, one-sentence statement describing what you want to accomplish. Avoid the use of conjunctions (and, but) in your sentence. You may need to rework your objective later, but this will drive your preparation.

#### Research:

Read extensively before you begin the construction of your speech. Take notes on what you read. Think about the subject before you start reading so you won't be overwhelmed with more ideas than you can use. Research, observe, and talk with others. Consult your church, school, and public libraries for resource material. Be sure to include Scripture references and other references that support your speech. A pastor may be helpful in Biblical doctrine and your speech coach helpful with grammar and presentation.

#### Outline:

Outline your speech. Ask yourself questions about the subject. These questions could form your speech outline. Consider the introduction, the body, and the conclusion. You may wish to use a simple formula such as: (1) past, (2) present, (3) future; or (1) problem, (2) possible solutions, (3) your plan, and (4) why it's the best plan. Example:

- I. Introduction
- II. Body
- III. Conclusion

**Introduction-** Write a creative introduction that allows your hearers to know the purpose of your speech and quickly gets their attention.

**Body-** (Here's where you use a lot of paper.) Use your outline to write the content of your speech word for word. Select words that express exactly what you mean. Include quotations, questions, illustrations, comparisons, and contrasts.

**Conclusion-** Write a conclusion that accomplishes your objective.

### Before the Tournament

- Good speeches are not just written, they are "re-written." Once you've completed your manuscript, practice sharing it. Ask objective people to listen and give you suggestions for improving your delivery. Practice, practice, practice. Do not memorize your speech. Practice it with a key-word outline until the key-word outline is not needed.
- Time yourself so you will consistently stay within the official time allotment. Remember, you will be penalized points if you go over or under the four-to-six minute time allotment.
- When you practice, stand straight and use only gestures, which are natural. Keep your jaw loose and throat relaxed.
- You are required to present a typed (double-spaced) manuscript of your speech to the judge chairman at every tournament.

### Content/Composition

- **Originality/Related to Subject:** The speech should reflect your own convictions, deal with the subject, and give evidence of creative and original thinking.
- **Organization/Logical Sequence:** Arrange the content in such a way that the audience will be able to follow your thoughts.
- **Structure/Grammar:** Double-check your sentences. Make sure they are complete and grammatically correct.
- **Choice of Resources/Credit for Quotations:** If resources are used, they should reflect an adequate understanding of the various facets of the subject, and be used in a way that they add strength to the content. If resources are quoted, the written speech needs to give proper credit for the material used. The delivered speech should indicate the material used is being quoted.
- **Purpose Accomplished:** Does your speech do what you intended?

### Delivery

- **Delivery:** Practice delivering your speech without notes and in a comfortable, conversational manner.

- **Articulate/Expressive Communication:** Speak in a clear, conversational manner. Make your speech convincing, interesting, and easy to understand.
- **Poise/Posture/Confidence:** Try to relax. Believe in yourself and your message.
- **Personal Appearance:** Give thought to what you will wear during your presentation.
- **Time Allotment:** Practice timing yourself. You will be penalized two points for every 10 seconds that your speech goes over or under the four-to-six minute time allotment.

**REGIONAL COORDINATORS  
YOUTH BIBLE DRILL AND YOUTH SPEAKERS TOURNAMENT  
2009 REGIONAL DATES & LOCATIONS**

| REGION  | DATE of Regional | LOCATION of Regional Drill                             | YOUTH COORDINATOR  |
|---|------------------|--|--|
| EAST  | April 25, 2009   | Central Bearden<br>Knoxville<br>865- 588-0586          | <b>Yvonne Piercy</b><br>2820 Gray Hendrix Road<br>Knoxville, TN 37931<br>865-769-4593 (H)<br><a href="mailto:Piercyjy@comcast.net">Piercyjy@comcast.net</a>  |
| SOUTHEAST   | April 25, 2009   | The Church at Grace Point<br>Cleveland<br>423-728-5050 | <b>Greg Steele</b><br>23 Lilac Avenue<br>Chattanooga, TN 37419<br>423-825-5335<br><a href="mailto:gsteele@lookoutvalleybaptist.org">gsteele@lookoutvalleybaptist.org</a>   |
| NORTHEAST   | April 25, 2009   | Manley Baptist Church<br>Morristown<br>423-586-8665    | <b>Tecky Hicks</b><br>343 Stanley Valley Road<br>Rogersville, TN 37857<br>423-272-3595 (H) / 423-921-2683(Cell)<br><a href="mailto:teckyhicks@wmconnect.com">teckyhicks@wmconnect.com</a>                                    |
| CENTRAL   | April 25, 2008   | Hermitage Hills Baptist<br>Hermitage<br>615-883-5034   | <b>Bruce Edwards</b><br>P.O. Box 728<br>Brentwood, TN 37024<br>615-371-2094 or 1-800-558-2090<br><a href="mailto:bedwards@tnbaptist.org">bedwards@tnbaptist.org</a>  |
| NORTH CENTRAL   | April 25, 2009   | First Baptist Church<br>Cookeville, TN<br>931-526-7108 | <b>Patricia Fuller</b><br>1525 Flintwood Ave.<br>Cookeville, TN 38501<br>931-432-4311 (H) / 931-526-7108 (W)<br><a href="mailto:pfuller@fbccookeville.org">pfuller@fbccookeville.org</a>                                     |
| SOUTH CENTRAL   | April 25, 2009   | First Baptist Church<br>Columbia<br>931-388-2655       | <b>Annie Brown</b><br>582 D.V. Circle<br>Spring Hill, TN 37174<br>931-490-9447 (H) / 615-423-5516 (Cell)<br><a href="mailto:anniepbrown@hotmail.com">anniepbrown@hotmail.com</a>   |
| SOUTHWEST/<br>WEST<br>(Shelby/Big Hatchie/<br>Fayette Associations) | April 25, 2009   | Bellvue Baptist Church<br>Cordova<br>901-347-2000      | <b>Ron &amp; Susan Powell</b><br>6748 Huntsman Circle<br>Memphis, TN 38120<br>901-684-1708 (H) / 901-748-1811 (W)<br>901-634-1828 (Cell) / 901-461-7179 (Cell)<br><a href="mailto:rappowell@juno.com">rappowell@juno.com</a> |
| SOUTHWEST<br>(Rest of West)   | April 25, 2009   | West Jackson Baptist Church<br>Jackson<br>731-660-4535 | <b>Catherine Via</b><br>1560 Via Road<br>Bells, TN 38006<br>731-663-2710 (H) / 731-696-4779 (W)<br><a href="mailto:viac@ccetc.org">viac@ccetc.org</a>  |
| NORTHWEST   | April 25, 2009   | First Baptist Church<br>Martin<br>731-587-9555         | <b>Malcolm Norton</b><br>P.O. Box 393<br>Trezevant, TN 38258<br>731-431-6506 (Cell) / 731-669-6641 (H)<br><a href="mailto:mbynorton1@charter.net">mbynorton1@charter.net</a>   |