

**Big Emory Baptist Association Executive Board Meeting**  
**Monday, 12 December, 2011**  
**9 a.m.**

**Welcome and Recognition of New Board Members and Guests:** Danny King opened the meeting at 9:02 and called the Executive Board to order. We recognized Larry Snow, a new board member from Union Chapel Baptist Church.

**Devotion and Prayer:** Rev King led a devotion from Ps 118:24 helping us to focus our attention this Christmas-time on Jesus and the celebration of his birth and the gift of God's love which comes through him and his presence in our lives. The devotion concluded with a prayer by Randy Roper.

**Reports from Associational Officers:**

*The Clerk's report* (p. 2) was approved and accepted.

*The Treasurer's report* (pp. 3-5) was approved (Jerry Newby made the motion and Randy Roper offered a second) and accepted. Various questions were raised by Larry Snow and Mason Goodman proffered a response and directed the interested to query Pat or Gene Nelson.

*The DOM's report* (p. 5) was accepted by the members of the Executive Board. Mason discussed the Annual drop in fellowship at the Association Office, inviting all to attend. March 6<sup>th</sup> Bobby Welch will be in the Association at Beech Park. April 26<sup>th</sup> is a TBC workshop for church officers (place TBA). Riverside Baptist is hosting Disaster Relief Training on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012. A bit of time is left for those who are interested in the Mexico Shoebox Mission. Call Mason for more information. Prisoner Christmas bags were assembled and delivered by members of the Association. Our DOM also gave an update on the construction project impending for the Associational Office. Emphasis was placed on the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and Churches were encouraged to participate. Rev. Goodman concluded by announcing the possibility of a free medical clinic in our area and asked for prayers for the effort and requested permission to look into the prospects of such an endeavor. Similarly, a psychologist has also offered his services (at a sliding scale cost) for the Association. A motion was made to give Br. Mason permission to investigate further in pursuit of the possibility (motion by Josh Lancaster and second by Randy Roper) of the Association hosting both a medical clinic and psychological counseling. The motion was made and seconded, voted on and carried.

**Reports from Sub-Teams:** The BCM's report was printed on pages 6-7 and a motion to approve was seconded and the motion then passed. The report from Storehouse Ministry was printed on pages 8-11 and approved by the assembly.

**Miscellaneous Business:** There was none.

**Announcements:** 'Take-a-Stand Sunday' was described by Bro. Mason. Josh

Lancaster announced Danny Akin's will be speaking at his Church's 'Night to Remember' and all are invited to attend on Feb 11, 2012. The cost is \$30 per couple (before the 11<sup>th</sup> and then it will be \$40).

**Prayer Requests:** Jerry Simpson. SHBC. Kenny Rains. Harold Newby. The 8 churches in the association without pastors. Laurel Bluff Baptist Church. Ronnie Nichols.

**Adjournment and Prayer:** Josh Lancaster closed the meeting in prayer. Please do remember all the churches of the Association in your own prayers.

Minutes recorded by Jim West, Association Clerk