

Texas Baptists offer weekly workshops online

September 4, 2020

Workshops that typically would have been offered during the Baptist General Convention of Texas annual meeting will be offered in a weekly online format Tuesdays at 2 p.m., beginning Sept. 8.

With the annual meeting moving online due to the COVID-19 pandemic, BGCT leaders decided to offer [workshops](#) to churches in advance of the meeting. The Zoom webinars will include live question and answer sessions each week. Registration is required for each workshop individually.



A workshop on “Children’s Ministry and Missions: The Complete Ministry for Children Includes Missions” is scheduled Sept. 8. Presenters will include Diane Lane, retired children’s discipleship specialist for Texas Baptists; Jonathan Brown, children’s minister at First Baptist Church in Temple; and Joanna Jespersen, minister to children and families at Shiloh Terrace Baptist Church in Dallas. To register, click [here](#).

Preston Cave, mission and discipleship coordinator for Texas Baptist Men, will present a workshop on “The Why and Where of Missions” on Sept. 15. The workshop will deal with reasons to be involved in missions and where missions should be lived out. To register, click [here](#).

Chad Selph, pastor of First Baptist Church in Allen, and several leaders from International Commission, including President Brent Edwards, will lead a workshop entitled “Equipped to Evangelize” on Sept. 22. To register

for the workshop, click [here](#).

A workshop on “Fulfilling the Great Commission through MAP” led by David Miranda, director of Texas Baptists’ Urban Missions and MAP (Missionary Adoption Program), and Josue Valerio, director of missions for Texas Baptists, will be offered Sept. 29. Others involved in the workshop include Milton Monte, Junta de Missões Nacionais Brazil; Joseph Fornah, Baptist Convention of Sierra Leone; Luiguii Olortegui, Església Evangèlica Baptista de Roses; Danilo Antunes, Texas Baptists’ Ministry Grid; Pepe Flores, Baptist Convention of Peru; Thong Lun, Greater Houston Burmese Christian Fellowship; and Larry Mayberry, Queens Church in New York. To register for the workshop, click [here](#).

Tamiko Jones, executive director/treasurer of Woman’s Missionary Union of Texas, will be joined by Julie Forrester, executive director of Christian Woman’s Job Corps of Greater Arlington, to discuss “WMU of Texas: Partners in Missions” in an Oct. 6 workshop. They will discuss the legacy of Texas WMU and the ways the organization can walk alongside and engage in local missions, establish partners for missions and empower others for worldwide missions. To register for the workshop, click [here](#).

David Scott, director of Bounce Student Disaster Recovery, will lead a workshop on “Bounce: Mobilizing your students for life transformation” on Oct. 13. Carlos Montoya, associate pastor of Fielder Church South Oaks Campus in Arlington, will join Scott to discuss short-term mission experiences for students and the role the events can play in transforming lives. To register for the workshop, click [here](#).

Israel Loachamin, pastor and director of La Puerta ministries at First Baptist Church in Waco, will join Josue Valerio to discuss “The Church and Community Transformation” in an Oct. 20 workshop. To register for the workshop, click [here](#).

Vanessa Lerma, River Ministry missionary along the Rio Grande Valley, and Mario Alberto Gonzalez, director of Texas Baptists' River Ministry/Mexico Missions, will present the final workshop, "Ministry Along the Border," on Nov. 3. To register for the workshop, click [here](#).

Recordings will be available after the event on Texas Baptists' annual meeting page at txb.org/am.