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NEW ORLEANS BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

## NOBTS Homecoming begins Thursday



### Homecoming Schedule

#### Thursday, October 4

**7:30 p.m.** — Homecoming Kick-Off, Leavell Chapel, "Saviour"

**8:30 p.m.** — Refreshments, Student Center

#### Friday, October 5

**Morning** — City Tours

**11 a.m.** — Worship Service, Leavell Chapel

**Noon** — Homecoming Dinner-on-the-Grounds

**1:30 p.m.** — Optional Activities

#### Friday, October 5

**6:30 p.m.** — Dinner on your own

#### Saturday, October 6

**8:30 a.m.** — Homecoming Race

**10:30 a.m.** — Hot Dog Lunch, Sunshine Park

### Thanksgiving Celebration Inspiration

## 'Saviour' opens Homecoming Oct. 4

"Saviour" is the story God's redemption of His people as found in His Word.

From creation and the fall, to the glorious offering of Christ on the cross, to the promise of glorious resurrection with our Redeemer, this modern oratorio tells of God's passionate pursuing of mankind. Five guest soloists [Dr. Leo Day (former NOBTS faculty), Dr. Patrick Jacobs (University of Mobile faculty), Mr. Scot Cameron (recording

**SAVIOUR**  
THE STORY OF GOD'S PASSION FOR HIS PEOPLE

artist), and Ronald and Andrea Laitano (University of Southern Mississippi graduate students)],

will combine with our NOBTS Community Chorus and Orchestra to present this message. This will be the opening event of NOBTS Homecoming.

The Seminary and New Orleans church community are invited to worship with us at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 4 in Leavell Chapel.

Then join us for refreshments in Hardin Student Center following the performance.

## This Week in Chapel

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2

FOUNDERS DAY

**Dr. Jim Henry**

*Pastor Emeritus, FBC Orlando*

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM DAY

**Dr. Jim Futral**

*Executive Director-Treasurer*

*Mississippi Baptist Convention*

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4

**Dr. Tony Merida**

*Dean of the Chapel, NOBTS*

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5

HOMECOMING CHAPEL

**Dr. Chuck Kelley**

*President, NOBTS*

## Next Week in Chapel

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9

TRUSTEE MEETING

**Dr. Tony Merida**

*Dean of the Chapel, NOBTS*

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

**NO CHAPEL**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11

**NO CHAPEL**

## FALL BREAK OCTOBER 15-19

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# OCC Shoe Boxes Are Here

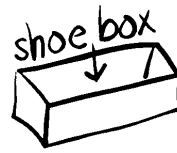
Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes have arrived. Since 2002 NOBTS has been serving as a Collection Center, receiving shoe boxes from all over the New Orleans area and is the only Southern Baptist Seminary to serve in that capacity. We will be collecting shoe boxes from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. November 12-17 and November 19 in the atrium of the student center, near Lifeway Christian Stores.

To participate in Operation Christmas

Child, simply fill a shoe box with toys and other presents. You can even write a personal note to the child!

Then bring the shoe box to the collection center with \$7 to cover the cost of shipping and evangelistic outreach.

The gift you give may be the only Christmas gift that a child receives. Through your generosity a child will learn



that he or she is precious to God. There are a limited number shoe boxes available at the New Orleans Lifeway Christian Store or outside Dodd 202.

If you would like to volunteer for a two-hour shift to help staff the collection center, please see Dr. Harsch or call ext. 3212. Join us in sharing the love of Jesus with those in need. Remember that every shoe box gift impacts a life for Christ.

## Prepare/Enrich Seminar October 27, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., HSC 293

You are invited to attend a one-day workshop, where you will learn to administer and interpret the Prepare/Enrich Inventories to couples you are counseling for premarital or marital counseling.

Pastors and church staff ministers, as well as counseling students, are qualified to take the training. The workshop fee of \$125 (for NOBTS students), or \$175 (for non-NOBTS students) includes the notebook and one free administration of the inventory.

For more information contact Kathy Steele. Registration forms can be picked up at the Psychology and Counseling Office. Reservations are due no later than October 3.

## Riverside Church needs part-time custodian

Part-time custodial position available cleaning nursery and preschool in the evening. Flexible Hours starting after 6:00p.m.(Sunday- Tuesday and Thursday - Friday.) Pay starting at 8.50 an hour.

Please contact Jim Caldwell at 737-2373.

## Spanish-Speaking Pastor Needed

First Spanish Baptist Church, in Youngstown, Ohio; is seeking a Bi-vocational Spanish speaking Pastor to lead their congregation.

Please contact the Church-Minister Relations office at NOBTS for more information.

## NOBTS Preschool Needs Part-time Workers

The NOBTS Preschool is in need of part-time employees on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. The individuals do not need to have the whole day available. Please come by the Preschool to talk with the director or Assistant Director or call 504-816-8585. The preschool is a ministry that effects not only our Seminary family but New Orleans for Christ. What a great way to share Christ with New Orleans by caring for these precious children.

## Oxford Study Trip: June 23 – July 6, 2008

The Oxford Trip scheduled for 2008 will be June 23 – July 5. This trip will be led by Dr. Bob Stewart and will include visits to places such as St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey and more. Students may earn up to nine hours of credit if registered with NOBTS. For additional information contact Linda Jackson at 504-816-8060 or linda@missionlab.com.

## Music School Looking for Interns and Instructors

Choice International School of Music and Performing Arts is a faith-based school, and is currently looking for interns for office work and Music Instructors as well. We teach vocals, guitar, drums, keyboard, dance, acting, and more, catering to young children all the way up until 100 years old. Our vision is also to honor the Lord by preparing future Christians to effectively reach and impact the world for Christ. If you are interested Please contact the school. Choice International School of Music & Performing Arts 924 Carrollwood Dr. Suite C \* LaPlace, LA 70068 (985) 653-7232 office (985) 653-3334 fax.

## Celebration Hope Center seeks receptionist

Celebration Hope Center, the counseling ministry of Celebration Church is seeking a part-time receptionist/clerical assistant. If interested, please contact Julie Sannasardo at (504) 833-4673.

## Graduation Reminders

### Rented Regalia

Orders for rented graduation regalia must be submitted by Friday, Nov. 16. Your regalia order will be available for pick-up at the New Orleans LifeWay Campus Store on Wednesday of the week of graduation.

All regalia, excluding tassel, must be returned following the graduation ceremonies.

### Graduation Regalia for Purchase

If you are interested in purchasing your regalia, Lifeway must have a completed order no later than Friday Oct. 5. Orders take approximately six to eight weeks. Please call 504-282-2626, or email William Jackson at william.jackson@jackson.com.

# NOBTS launches new Hub at Orlando Extension Center

By Gary D. Myers

ORLANDO, Fla. – New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary celebrated a new way to provide theological training to Florida Baptist Sept. 24 with the dedication of the seminary's Orlando Regional Hub.

Seminary administrators and leaders of the Florida Baptist Convention gathered at First Baptist Church in Orlando, home to the Orlando hub, to officially launch the initiative that allows NOBTS students in Florida to complete more of their ministry training closer to home.

The new approach allows students to earn all but 12 hours of New Orleans Seminary's master of divinity degree or master of arts in Christian education degree at the Orlando hub. In the past students had to earn 30 hours of on-campus credit at

the main campus in New Orleans, a costly endeavor for Florida students.

Now, regardless of the extension center a student attends, he or she can earn up to 18 hours of on-campus credit in Orlando. The student will only have to earn 12 hours of credit in New Orleans.

"When I came to this job 19 years ago, one of the things I determined is we are going to have quality theological education in the state of Florida," John Sullivan, executive-treasurer of the Florida Baptist Convention. "We are starting about 140 new churches every year and to start new churches without quality theological education makes no sense at all. So that's why we are so involved in this."

"I believe in what we are doing through New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary," he added.

Sullivan challenged seminary leaders to develop leaders who have a heart for the mission of the church, an understanding of the mind of Christ and a love for people.

Seminary President Chuck Kelley told the Orlando hub students that their generation of Christian leaders will play a crucial role in the history of the Southern Baptist Convention. He said this generation has the opportunity to be the greatest generation of Christian leaders Southern Baptists have seen.

At a time when the majority of Southern Baptist churches have plateaued or have slipped into decline, Kelley sees an opportunity for new leaders to make a real difference in local churches.

"If [our churches] grow, you're going to be called the greatest generation of

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## Women in Ministry

A statewide Fellowship for Women Ministers is being formed. This network is for women in leadership who have responded to God's call to vocational Christian service.

The inaugural event will be held **Monday, Nov. 12, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.** at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Alexandria, La.

The purposes of our network will be to provide Christ-like models for spiritual leadership; to develop partners and mentors in calling, ministry and accountability; and to form deep and lasting friendships through the bond of Christ.

For more information, please contact Andrea McKenzie at [tantepoche@juno.com](mailto:tantepoche@juno.com) or Dr. Jeanine C. Bozeman at [jbozeman@nobts.edu](mailto:jbozeman@nobts.edu).

## Be A Consultant

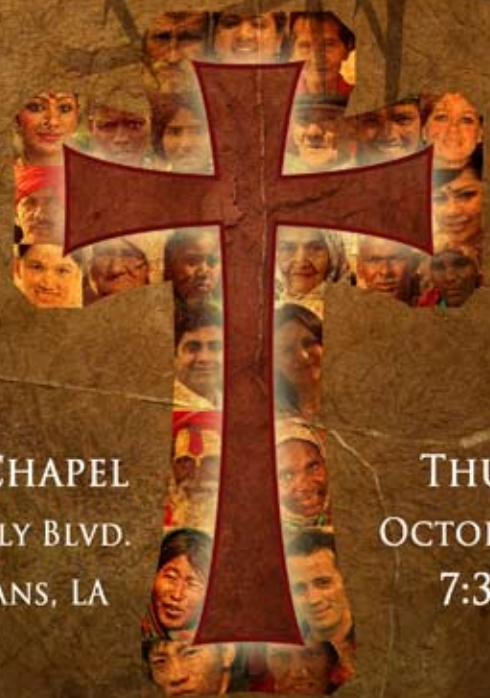
Cornerstone Consultant Ministries of Alexandria, Louisiana, is a Christian-based organization that provides churches and religious organizations resources to meet needs. CCM needs individuals to make contact with churches in south Louisiana and south Mississippi. The contact offers the churches a new product, at no charge, that allows church members to contact other church members when products and services are needed. The work schedule is flexible and can be molded around seminary classes and family time.

Anyone interested in the position can contact Andy Wiggins in the Church-Minister Relations office at NOBTS.

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COMMUNITY CHORUS WITH ORCHESTRA  
PRESENTS A MODERN ORATORIO

# SAVIOUR

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NEW ORLEANS, LA

THURSDAY  
OCTOBER 4, 2007  
7:30 P.M.

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Christian leaders in the history of the Southern Baptist Convention," Kelley said. "I believe that we can experience a fresh movement of the Holy Spirit of God and that under the Holy Spirit's anointing on a generation of Christian leaders, we can help

our churches learn how to grow again."

The Orlando hub represents the seminary's commitment to make theological training available to God-called men and women, Kelley said. It also represents hope for the future.

"We have made a passionate commitment to your significance as leaders of the

church," Kelley said. "Many of you would tell me today if we did not have this center in Orlando you would probably not be able to get theological education."

For more information about New Orleans Seminary's Orlando Regional Hub, call (407) 514-4412 or visit [www.nobts.edu/extensions](http://www.nobts.edu/extensions).

## Church-Minister Relations

### Ministry Opportunities

The following are a few of the ministry positions received by the Church-Minister Relations office. Churches are listed according to the type of ministry position needed and whether the position is classified as part-time or full-time. All positions within a 2-hour radius of New Orleans are listed separately with the approximate distance in parentheses. To contact any of these churches, or to have your resume sent to other unpublished ministry opportunities, visit the CMR office (second floor, Frost Building) or contact them at 504-282-4455 or 1-800-662-8701, ext. 3291, or [cmrconsultant@nobts.edu](mailto:cmrconsultant@nobts.edu).

#### New Orleans Area

##### Full-time

- First Baptist Church, Roseland, La.; pastor (78)
  - East Fork Baptist Church, Kentwood, La.; pastor (90)
  - First Baptist Church, Zachary, La.; children (98)
  - First Baptist Church, Patterson, La.; pastor (93)
  - Parkside Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, La.; pastor (81)
  - First Baptist Church, Saint Rose, La.; pastor (23)
- ##### Part-time
- Barataria Baptist Church, Lafitte, La.; youth (34)
  - Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, Covington, La.; youth (43)
  - New Life Baptist Church, Hammond, La.; music and youth (60)
  - St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church, New Orleans, La.; youth (10)
  - Bayou Blue United Methodist Church, Houma, La.; youth and children (59)

- Hope Church of Waldheim, Covington, La.; music (43)
- First Baptist Church, Albany, La.; music (64)
- Gretna United Methodist Church, Gretna, La.; music (11)
- Lake Vista United Methodist Church, New Orleans, La. youth (5)
- Big Level Baptist Church, Wiggins, Miss.; music (102)
- Broussard Grove Baptist Church, Prairieville, La.; music (67)
- Poydras Baptist Church, St. Bernard, La.; music (18)
- Plainview Baptist Church, Bogalusa, La.; youth (70)
- New Palestine Baptist Church, Picayune, Miss.; youth (48)
- Tammany Hills Baptist Church, Covington, La.; pastor (43)

#### Pastor

##### Full-time

- St. Rest Baptist Church, Dubach, La.
- Wesson Baptist Church, Wesson, Miss.
- First Baptist Church, Ironton, Mo.
- Macedonia's First Baptist Church, Blountstown, Fla.
- Glynwood Baptist Church, Prattville, Ala.
- Springwood Baptist Church, Buchanan, Va.

#### Music

##### Full-time

- First Baptist Church, Steele, Mo.
- Harmony Baptist Church, Crystal Springs, Miss.
- First Baptist Church, Joshua, Texas
- Houston River Baptist Church, Sulphur, La.
- Oak Grove Baptist Church, Richmond, Va.

#### Youth

##### Full-time

- New Hope Baptist Fellowship, Cape Coral, Fla.
- First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Miss.
- Hillwood Baptist Church, Huntsville, Ala.

- Humboldt Baptist Church, Humboldt, Tenn.
- Calvary Baptist Church, Pensacola, Fla.
- First Baptist Church, Hayden, Ala. Part-time
- Mt. Manna Baptist Church, Coldwater, Miss.
- First Baptist Church, Greensburg, La.

#### Children/Preschool

##### Full-time

- First Baptist Church, Zachary, La.
- Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, Colonial Heights, Va. Part-time
- Hillcrest Baptist Church, Nederland, Texas
- First Baptist Church, Chickamauga, Ga.

#### Combination

##### Full-time

- Covenant Baptist Church, Collierville, Tenn.; Youth and Recreation
- Riverside Baptist Church, Evans, Ga.; Associate Pastor of Worship and Youth
- Highland Baptist Church, West Monroe, La.; Youth and College
- First Baptist Church, Woodstock, Va.; Worship and Discipleship
- Alta Loma Baptist Church, Madison, Tenn.; Associate Pastor/Music

#### Other

##### Full-time

- First Baptist Church of Acree, Sylvester, Ga.; Family Minister: Emphasis in Youth and Children
- First Baptist Church, Lanett, Ala.; Education



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**October 6, 2007**

**10:30 am – 2 pm**



**Sunshine Park**



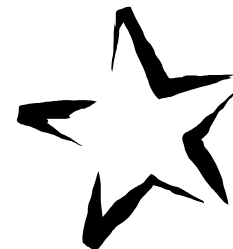
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**Volleyball Challenge**



**Giant Slide**



**Games**



**Popcorn**



**Sno Cones**



**Jump Castle**



**Preschool Area**