

SPECIAL POINTS OF
INTEREST:

- ♦ Report from your ALT
- ♦ GBBA Semi-Annual Meeting
- ♦ Boston International Ministries
- ♦ Super Saturday and Ministry Assistants
- ♦ Cross Walk and Children's camps
- ♦ Pastor's Family

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DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

Pastors,

We would like to keep you updated on the Search for our new Director of Missions. The Director of Missions Search Committee has been formed, approved and has had their first meeting. They are now working their way through the search process. We encourage you to pray for this team as they carry out this significant work.

Administrative Leadership Team

Dear Pastor and Church Leaders,

We would like to extend a special invitation for you to attend the Greater Boston Baptist Association's Semi-Annual Meeting. It will take place on Monday, May 11th at the GBBA offices, 754 Greendale Avenue, Needham, MA 02492.

First, we will hold an Orientation that will help you "**Discover the GBBA**". This will take place before the Semi-Annual meeting on May 11th from 4:30pm-6:00pm.

Join us and:

- ♦ Meet your GBBA Staff
- ♦ Discover resources
- ♦ Find ways to partner together

If you pre-register by May 5th to attend the Orientation you will receive 10 DVD's (per church) of The Case for Christ and/or The Case for the Creator.

Second, we will have dinner and a time of fellowship together

Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm. Please RSVP to: Eileen Fullerton at the GBBA office by phone: 781-449-4000 ext 0 or e-mail: gbba@bostonbaptist.org to make dinner reservations.

Third, we will have time of celebrating what is happening in our churches along with our business meeting from 7:00pm-9:00pm

Fourth, as in every year we will collect the GBBA Margaret Ohanian Missions Offering. This year the offering will go toward Boston International Ministries, our "foreign mission" work with international visitors right here in Greater Boston.

Rev. Michael D. Dean, BIM Director, has sent you a table tent flyer and a flyer to post about Boston International Ministries. We have also included a commitment slip and envelope for the offering. As always, gifts from individuals or church wide offerings can be sent in or given at the meeting.

Thank you for your partnership in the Gospel!

In Christ,

GBBA Administration Team and GBBA Staff

GBBA's 2009 Margaret Ohanian Missions Offering

**GBBA
ANNUAL MISSION
OFFERING**

**Monday, May 11, 2009
7:00 pm**

**Join us for a celebration of
what God is doing in GBBA
churches and ministries.**

**Come to our annual
meeting at 754 Greendale
Avenue in Needham with
an offering from you or
your church toward
'foreign missions' right
here in Boston.**

**THANK YOU VERY
MUCH FOR THIS
PARTNERSHIP
WITH BIM!**



GBBA's Annual Margaret Ohanian Missions Offering

2009 Goal: \$5000.00

Gifts during 2009 will be used for Boston International Ministries. Checks can be written to "GBBA".

You may bring an individual or church group offering on May 11th to our meeting or send your gift to GBBA.

Please mark "BIM Offering" in the memo section on any checks.

BOSTON INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES (BIM)

mobilizes believers to meet the needs of international businesspeople, students, scholars, diplomats, & visitors through genuine relationships and leads them to faith in Jesus Christ. Our mission is to:

SERVE internationals during their temporary stay in the Greater Boston area

SHARE the love of God in Christ with strategic international visitors

SEND internationals back home to be ambassadors for Christ

This offering will assist in the purchase of language Bibles and DVDs, or assist in starting English classes & seeker Bible studies. Funds will also provide assistance for scholarships for international seekers to attend evangelistic conferences & special events as well as provide for the needs of short-term or semester missionaries. Other needs include funding training events, intercultural or interfaith evangelism and assisting new international church plants. BIM ministry funds are designated from donors, churches or individuals and not provided through GBBA's general budget. Thanks for gifts of any amount!

Boston International Ministries ~ GBBA ~ 754 Greendale Avenue ~ Needham, MA 02492

Boston International Ministries



EASTER OUTREACH & BAPTISMS

Years ago Michael Dean started an English class for a Chinese group in Cambridge. Over the years many volunteers from inside and outside of GBBA have assisted. In recent months Shelly Webb, our BIM Associate & Campus Minister at MIT, felt led to use Rick Warren's *Purpose Driven Life* book as the curriculum. Shelly worked each week to prepare a list of idioms and a discussion guide for the chapters of the book. In the weeks leading up to Easter there were 15-20 international professors, visitors, spouses, doctors, scholars, professionals, and others along with mission teams who joined in the fun.

Each week it has been a blessing to see seeds of Truth and understanding be born as we introduce the Christian faith to these future world leaders. From this English class new folks have joined seeker Bible studies and even come to church for the first time. On Easter Sunday we had about 50 internationals and family members join in the worship service at Cambridgeport Baptist Church where they saw the baptism of two other new internationals including the first convert through Boston Bangla Church. Following the service we hosted a wonderful lunch at Shelly Webb's home for about 40 participants and family members. What a wonderful thing to use English to meet a need and introduce people to Jesus Christ.

Perhaps you would like to start an English class in your church or community. Get in touch with us to join a summer training event in Greater Boston.

ANNUAL TRAINING DAY REPORT—April 25th

Several new faces joined our annual OASIS, International Ministries Training Day. We enjoyed some special insight into ministry with Muslims and heard from two strategists just off ten years service in the heart of China.

JULY 4, 2009 'Unity in Diversity' Event

We are gathering a planning team to organize a unique and strategic *UNITY IN DIVERSITY* gathering on JULY 4th in Cambridge. We desire several of our churches to join this multicultural outreach event & cookout, as we host a choir from Texas and hold a block party event on the campus at MIT. To partner for this outreach, contact Michael Dean.

Praises & Prayer Requests

Praise:

- New believers baptized and being disciplined
- New internationals joining seeker Bible studies

Prayer:

- For more volunteers to join international outreach in Cambridge on Thursday afternoons
- Pray for many international friends returning home
- Pray for July 4th outreach event in Cambridge
- Pray for new faces to join our BIM team for Fall '09



JOIN US ON MISSION

Each year we have a variety of volunteers who jump in and help in outreach with internationals. Some host at Thanksgiving, others host cooking classes or outreach events. Some join our weekly English or Bible classes or host a lunch group with professionals from around the world. How about you?

BIM TEAM in TRANSITION

In addition to local volunteers we have been blessed to have some wonderful interns, semester missionaries and return IMB journeymen join us for a year to serve with other longer term folks like the Beevers & Shelly Webb. The work they do is a blessing beyond words. Shelly has served for over three years with Boston International Ministries as Campus Minister at MIT where she has grown our 'Baptist' presence on that campus and helped us touch the world. This summer she will be returning to a place of ministry in her 'homeland' of Texas and she will be deeply missed. Thank you Shelly for who you are, for your servant heart and for sharing your life with the nations here among us!

Touch Boston & Touch the World

To join in BIM outreach events
contact Michael Dean at
781.449.4000 x 203
mdean@mit.edu



SAVE THE DATE!!!

September 26

SUPER SATURDAY

(Training for your entire church)

At

**Brookville Baptist Church
Holbrook**

**STAY TUNED FOR ALL THE
DETAILS!!!**

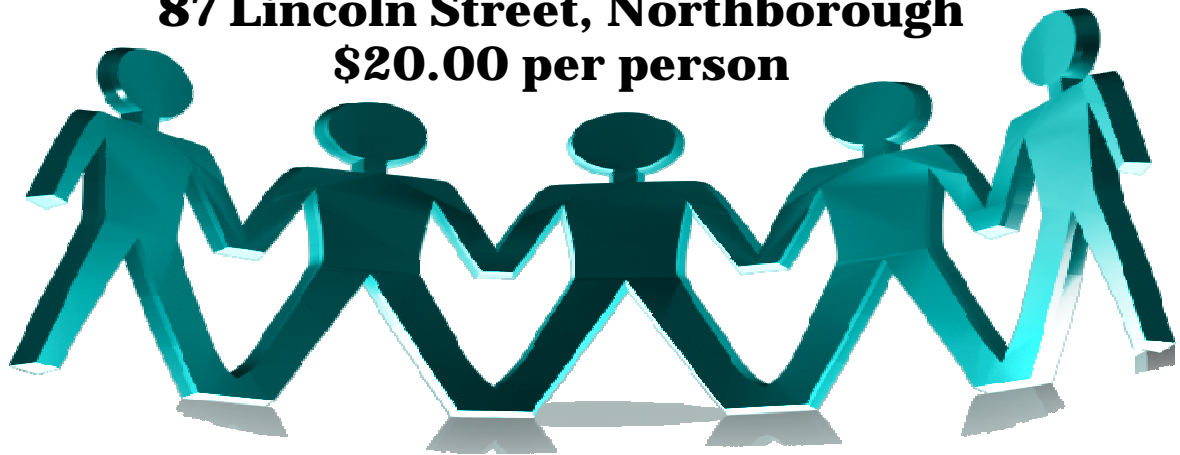
**Ministry Assistant's
NETWORKING MEETING**

Thursday, May 28, 2009

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**At the Baptist Convention of New England
87 Lincoln Street, Northborough**

\$20.00 per person



Have Questions or to Register:

Contact Sandy Coelho 508-393-6013 x234 or sjcoelho@aol.com

CROSSWALK YOUTH CAMP

set sail!

Our theme this year is **set sail**. This year we will challenge students to begin to explore spiritual discernment. Each day's Bible study will focus on elements of God's purpose and how to recognize it through their personal connection with Him. It brings together scripture, Holy Spirit and relationships.



See you on the Gordon Campus, July 13th-18th

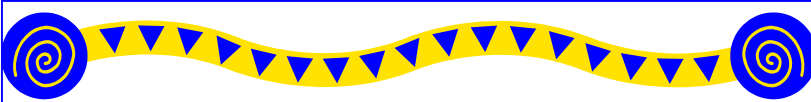
Registration Deadlines and Cost:

Early - Bird Registration, must be postmarked by May 18	\$245
Regular Registration, postmarked by June 1	\$265
Late Registration, postmarked by June 11	\$280
Chaperone Registration	\$225

Registration covers: CW program, 5 nights housing, 14 meals, and CW t-shirt.

Request a CW Packet complete with summary forms, permission forms, promo video and 2009 CW PROOF poster.

Email: clarkbcne@aol.com with your name, church name, contact phone number, the address you would like the packet to be mailed.



Children's Camp

Girls Mission Adventure Camp July 20-25

Boys Mission Adventure Camp July 27-August 1

All camps are conducted at the Farmington Conference Center in Farmington, Maine

Recreation—Crafts—Swimming—Missionaries

Bible Study—New Friends—Worship—and much more!

All campers must have completed 3rd through 10th grades prior to attending camp.

Cost per camper is \$110 before June 30, 2009. After that date the cost will be \$125 per camper. Special consideration will be given to families with more than 2 children attending the camps.

For more info contact Ana Souza: asouza@bcne.net 508-393-6013



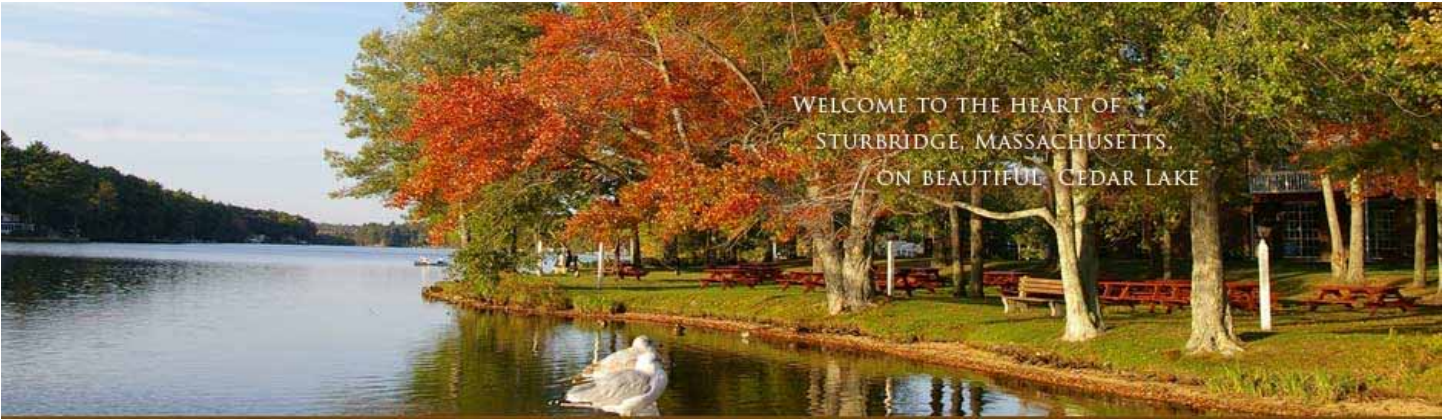
Event Trailer

The Event Trailer includes:

1	6'x12' Cargo Trailer	5	Children's games
1	Large Moonwalk inflatable	6	Tables
1	Small Moonwalk inflatable	12	Folding Chairs
1	Sno-cone machine	4	Canopies
1	Pop corn machine	1	Generator
1	Sound system	2	Drink Coolers
2	Microphones with stands	2	Ice Chests
5	Extension cords	1	Grill

If you are interested in using it for a day or up to a week please call the GBBA office and have Eileen schedule your church for the dates. The schedule will be on a first come first serve basis. It will be the responsibility of the church using the trailer to pick-up and return to the GBBA office. There will be a non-refundable charge of \$25 to reserve the trailer and \$25 for the use of the trailer. These fees will offset insurance, maintenance, and annual licensing.

BCNE PASTOR'S FAMILY GETAWAY



August 28-30, 2009
Sturbridge, MA

Weekend Highlights include:

- ◆ **Friday Family Night cookout on the beach**
 - ◆ **Lots of family free time**
 - ◆ **Special activities for teens & children**
 - ◆ **Mom and Dad DATE NIGHT**
- ◆ **Sunday Morning Family Worship Service**

Cost:

\$55 per family member

\$25 (for children under 6 years old)

Maximum \$300 per family

Payments may be made in installments

Includes:

Lodging

Five meals

Fun activities

Scholarships available upon request

For more information contact Ana Souza: 508-393-6013 ext. 226

Call to PRAYER May 2009

The Collegiate Church Planting Community

1 Pray for the **monthly gathering** of the two communities of Shawmut Springs Church, that both communities will **invest** in each other, **worship** with each other, and **grow** with each other.

2 Pray for the Collegiate **Transition Team** from the Baptist Convention of New England as they are in Nashville this weekend at a Summit for Collegiate ministers. Pray for good times of **networking** and **learning**.

3 Pray for **God** to be **glorified** in Boston through the lives of college students and young adults who will say **YES** to Him in every situation.

4 Pray for continued **wisdom** and **provision** for Stacey Alexander concerning her job and financial support.

5 **Trinity Church** has joined a local softball league. Pray for **relationships** that will be formed this Summer, that those at Trinity will be a **true display** of the love of Christ to those they meet.

6 Pray that the **presence** of God would be extremely evident when people interact with the **Shawmut Springs** community.

7 Pray for the **ESL** (English as a Second Language) **classes** at **MIT** today, that there would be opportunities to proclaim the Truth to international students. Pray that more **volunteers** will help with these classes.

8 Pray for **Alex Araujo** and his team as they minister to students through Celebration Brazilian Church.

9 Pray for **new volunteers** to come join the international student ministry team in Boston

10 Pray for the **Oasis** as they meet together tonight and finish up their study of Colossians 1. Pray that what they've learned will **carry over** into their lives.

11 Pray for the Semi-Annual Meeting of the **Greater Boston Baptist Association**, as we celebrate what is happening in our churches. Pray for more people to catch the vision to reach out to college students.

12 Pray for **Shelly Webb** as she leads a group of international students through Rick Warren's *Purpose Driven Life*.

13 Pray for **Trinity Church** as they prepare for this Summer. They will be hosting a **community day** in the park, partnering with a church in Waco, Texas, who will be helping them plan and will be sending two teams to help host the event.

14 Pray for **Chris & Courtney** as they try to balance their work, ministry, and family schedules. Pray for fruitful **rest** and **strength** for the tasks before them.

15 Pray for **students** in Boston as they finish their finals, especially for those **graduating** from schools all over the city. Pray that God would give them **peace** about the future, and that they would know it comes from HIM.

16 Pray for **Jen Johnston** as she builds **relationships** with students at North-eastern University.

17 Pray for **Trinity Church** as they meet together tonight, that God's **grace** will be evident in the way they worship Him and interact with each other.

18 Pray for **Rob and Heather Glass** as they are leading a group from Shawmut Springs Church in their home. Pray for **growth** and **direction** in this new endeavor.

19 Pray for a **new campus minister** to join the team at MIT in Cambridge.

20 Pray for **Stacey Wideman** as she coordinates the ministry to students in Boston. Ask the Lord for wisdom, grace and peace as she leads.

21 Pray for the **seeker Bible study** that happens at noon every Thursday at **MIT** for international students.

22 Pray for the **Oasis**, that as they say goodbye to two families this summer, God would **encourage** their hearts and **unite** them for His future purpose.

23 Pray for Shawmut Springs Church as they host a **mission team** at the end of May. Pray that they would be able to further their **impact** in their neighborhood as they **reach out** in various ways.

24 Pray for **Shawmut Springs Church** as they meet together tonight, that God would receive **glory** and **honor** from their time together.

25 T.J. and Dena Odom will be heading south at the end of May for their annual **support raising trip**. Pray for the churches and homes in which they will speak.

26 Pray for **Michael Dean**, director of Boston International Ministries, and as he fulfills his role as Baptist Chaplain at MIT.

27 Pray for the **Oasis**, that their hearts will be unified this Summer as they work toward **examining** who they are as a community. Pray that out of this examining time, they will be **strengthened** as a family and will grow in their ability to reach those without Jesus.

28-June 1 Pray for **Michael Dean** and many others from the SBC working with internationals, as they gather for the **ACMI** (Association of Christians Ministering among Internationals) **National Meeting** in Los Angeles. Pray for wisdom, insight and unity as this important group meets together to **further** the ministry among internationals in America.

Visit our website at www.ccpcboston.org. And if you have any questions or comments about the prayer calendar, e-mail us at prayer@ccpcboston.org

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May 2009

Greater Boston Baptist Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
					Ministry & Multiplication Retreat Collegiate Summit	
3	4	5	6	7 Mentor Training	8	9
					Grant Writing Workshops Basic Training	
10 Mother's Day	11 GBBA Semi-Annual Meeting	12	13	14	15	16
Basic Training		Urban Evangelism Roundtable				
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Memorial Day - office closed	26	27	28 Ministry Assistant Networking	29	30
					Mission Service Corp Retreat	
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June 2009

Greater Boston Baptist Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Summer Missionary Orientation				
7	8	9	10	11	12 GPS- God's Plan for Sharing	13
14	15	16	17	18 BCNE Board of Directors Meeting	19	20
21 Father's Day	22	23	24	25	26	27
			SBC Annual Meeting (Louisville, KY)			
			Church Planters and Families Retreat			
28	29	30				
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