

Louisiana Fellowship



New Year Brings Thanks from Reid

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Dear Friend of CBF:

On behalf of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Louisiana, thank you for your support of our work over the past year. Your prayers, personal participation and financial gifts have made it possible to reach more of our goals.

A buddy of mine jokingly described 2010 this way -- "Things got worse faster than I could lower my expectations!" Not true for CBF Louisiana. For example, in 2010, we:

- Hired a full-time missionary for our rural poverty ministry in Lake Providence, LA.
- Witnessed the birth of Church for the Highlands, Shreveport, John Henson, Pastor.
- Announced the first recipient of CBFLA's scholarship to Arkansas Baptist College.
- Saw the formal dedication of the Bethlehem Baptist Church, Vulcanesti, Moldova
- Participated in "You've Got the Time" audio Bible distributions.
- Celebrated "New Wineskins," in one of the most inspiring Spring Assemblies ever.
- Contributed \$30,000 for construction of nine houses for the homeless in Haiti.
- Gave over 1,700 book bags/supplies for children in East Carroll /Tensas parishes.
- Hosted our second football clinic in Lake Providence.
- Painted the stadium at Lake Providence High School, thanks to University Baptist.
- Hosted Dr. Terry York as guest lecturer at our annual Stagg-Tolbert Forum.
- Celebrated the ordination of our female Moderator, Shannon Rutherford.
- Sustained professional peer groups in the Northern and Southern sectors of state.
- Strengthened our ties to CBF National through representation at several key events.
- Continued the perennial networking with CBF-related churches and staff.
- Solidified relationship with Volunteer Organizations Assisting in Disasters (VOAD).

In 2011, we will restructure our Coordinating Council for greater effectiveness, and will develop an advocacy-mechanism within our churches to promote CBF-related interests. On Saturday, January 15th at 2PM, Stephanie Vance will be ordained, at Emmanuel Baptist, Alexandria. Another highlight for the year will be our Spring Assembly, May 6-7, with Dr. Rob Nash, CBF Global Missions Coordinator, as our keynote speaker. Spring Assembly will meet at Church for the Highlands, Shreveport.

With warmest personal regards, I am sincerely

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2010 CBF-LA Highlights Included:



Hiring Missionary



New Church Start



Wineskin Conference



9 New Haiti Houses

Don't Forget! Missionary Stephanie Vance's ordination this Saturday January 15, 2pm at Emmanuel - Alexandria. See new update of her work [here](#).

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